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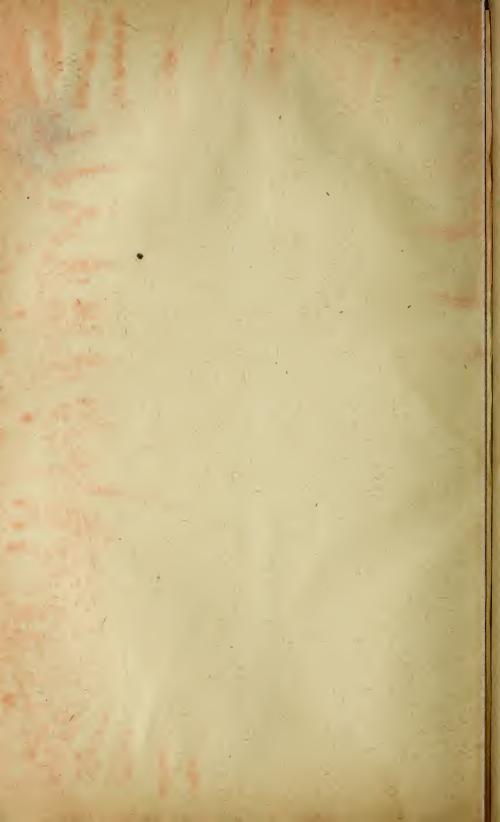
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OFFICERS OF THE TOWN OF FAIRFIELD 1916

SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS AND OVERSEERS OF THE POOR

(L. S. BRAY W. A. HILL J. A. HARRIS

SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE

(W. P. HINCKLEY ABBIE J. LADD C. A. LAWRY

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

W. O. HERSEY

COLLECTOR

W, J. BRADBURY

TREASURER

W. W. MERRILL

AGENT

G. M. CHAPMAN

TOWN CLERK, W. J. BRADBURY, DEPUTY, GRACE CLARK

AUDITOR

A. H. TOTMAN

Report of Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor

Appropriations and Expenditures

| Appro | opriated | Expend | led |
|---|-----------|---------|-----|
| Highway \$5, | 000 00 | \$5,438 | 49 |
| | ,000 00 - | 1,184 | 03 |
| | 750 00 | 1,684 | 23 |
| State Aid Road, Town | 930 00 | | |
| | 685 24 | 1,625 | 97 |
| State Aid Maintenance, rec'd from State . | 213 13 | 137 | 10 |
| Snow account 1, | 00 000, | 1,689 | 67 |
| Salary of Selectmen | 800 00 | 800 | 00 |
| Bonded debt 2, | 00 00 | 4.070 | 00 |
| Interest account 1, | 900 00 | 1,716 | 65 |
| Lawrence Library 1, | 00 000 | 1,000 | 00 |
| | 100 00 | , 100 | 00 |
| | 100 00 | 81 | |
| | ,200 00 | | |
| Covel School playground | 50 00 | | |
| | 500 00 | 2,332 | 96 |
| | 50 00 | 50 | |
| | 200 00 | 412 | 28 |
| | ,000 00 | | |
| | ,289 87 | 3,629 | 99 |
| | 11 0011 | 1 | |

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Inventory and Assessment

| Rea Estate | \$1,517,950 | 00 | | |
|--|-------------|--|---|--|
| Personal Estate | 479,110 | | | |
| | | _ \$1 | ,997,060 | 60 |
| Assessed on \$1,997,060 00 at 23 | | | | |
| mills | \$45,932 | 38 | | |
| Assessed on 1,204 polls at \$2.50 | 3,010 | 00 | | |
| Cash in Treasury | 3,335 | 78 | | |
| | | _ | \$52,278 | 16 |
| State tax | \$10,296 | 33 | | |
| County tax | 2,879 | 74 | | |
| Appropriations | 36,080 | 00 | | |
| Set aside to buy bonds | 2,100 | 00 | | |
| Overlay | 922 | 9 | | |
| | 4 | | \$52,278 | 16 |
| Total amount raised this year by tax | ation | | \$48,942 | 38 |
| | | | | |
| | | | | |
| List of Liv | e Stock | | | |
| List of Liv | | No | Total va | lue |
| List of Liv | | | Total va \$53,055 | |
| | 5 | | | 00 |
| Horses and mules | 5 | 57 9 | \$53,055 | 00 00 |
| Horses and mules | | 57 9 19 | \$53,055 815 | 00 00 00 |
| Horses and mules Colts 3 to 4 years " 2 to 3 " | | 57 9 19 34 | \$53,055 815 1,325 | 00 00 00 00 |
| Horses and mules Colts 3 to 4 years '' 2 to 3 '' '' under 2 ' | | 57 9 19 34 41 | \$53,055 815 1,325 1,520 | 00 00 00 00 00 |
| Horses and mules Colts 3 to 4 years ' 2 to 3 '' ' under 2 ' Cows | | 57 9 19 34 41 | \$53,055 815 1,325 1,520 17,265 | 00 00 00 00 00 |
| Horses and mules Colts 3 to 4 years '' 2 to 3 '' '' under 2 ' Cows Oxen | | 57 9 19 34 41 | \$53,055 815 1,325 1,520 17,265 100 | 00 00 00 00 00 |
| Horses and mules Colts 3 to 4 years '' 2 to 3 '' '' under 2 ' Cows Oxen 3 year olds | | 57 9 19 34 41 1 | \$53,055 815 1,325 1,520 17,265 100 | 00 00 00 00 00 |
| Horses and mules Colts 3 to 4 years '' 2 to 3 '' '' under 2 ' Cows Oxen | | 57 9 119 34 441 1 02 | \$53,055 815 1,325 1,520 17,265 100 | 00 00 00 00 00 |
| Horses and mules Colts 3 to 4 years '' 2 to 3 '' '' under 2 ' Cows Oxen 3 year olds Live Stock Exempton | t from Taxa | 57 9 119 34 441 1 102 | \$53,055 815 1,325 1,520 17,265 100 2,450 | 00 00 00 00 00 00 |
| Horses and mules Colts 3 to 4 years ' 2 to 3 '' ' under 2 ' Cows Oxen 3 year olds Live Stock Exempt | t from Taxa | 57 9 19 34 41 1 1 92 ntion No . 136 | \$53,055 815 1,325 1,520 17,265 100 2,450 | 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 |
| Horses and mules Colts 3 to 4 years " 2 to 3 " " under 2 ' Cows Oxen 3 year olds Live Stock Exempt | t from Taxa | 57 9 19 34 41 1 1 22 ation No . 136 218 | \$53,055 815 1,325 1,520 17,265 100 2,450 \$1,930 1,128 | 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 |
| Horses and mules Colts 3 to 4 years ' 2 to 3 '' ' under 2 ' Cows Oxen 3 year olds Live Stock Exempt | t from Taxa | 57 9 19 34 41 1 02 ation No . 136 218 | \$53,055 815 1,325 1,520 17,265 100 2,450 | 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 |

Other Kinds of Personal Property

| Bonds, 1 | \$ 500 00 |
|---------------------------|-----------|
| Bank Stock, 442 shares | 38,900 00 |
| Money at int | 4,540 00 |
| Stock in trade | 86,330 00 |
| Vessel property | 4,410 00 |
| Logs and lumber | 62,280 00 |
| Wood and bark | 10,570 00 |
| Carriages | 940 00 |
| Automobiles, 90 | 25,290 00 |
| Musical Instruments, 236 | 23,270 00 |
| Finished Product in mills | 17,900 00 |
| Material in stock | 29,700 00 |
| Machinery | 75,000 00 |
| Other personal property | 22,950 00 |
| * | |

\$402,580 00

POOR ACCOUNT

Fairfield Poor in Town not on Farm

| Paid out | | |
|-------------------------|-------------|----|
| Care of Town lots | \$ 5 | 00 |
| Town doctor on contract | 77 | 00 |
| Annie Pooler | 10 | 40 |
| Phillip Clukey family | 171 | 42 |

| · | | |
|--------------------------------------|--------|------------|
| Mrs Dan Butterfield | 4 00 | |
| Wellington York and wife, camp acct | 28 19 | |
| Chas E Pooler & family | 21 00 | |
| Andrew Pooler " " | 55 00 | |
| Willie Gurney " " | 9 75 | ବ୍ୟ |
| Wilber Files " " | 31 75 | |
| John Shibley | 35 00 | |
| Jerry Garland | 75 21 | |
| Mary Perry | 142 31 | |
| Mike McCoombs | 43 04 | |
| Augustus Ronco, reimbursed | 51 39 | |
| Frank King | 23 50 | |
| Thomas Lewis or Lewis | 94 00 | |
| Mrs Francis York | 2 00 | |
| Clara Murray and 4 children | 269 05 | |
| Joseph Bishop, family in Quarantine | 12 00 | |
| David Vigue | 7 81 | |
| Robert Gulliver | 80 25 | |
| Mrs K Colles (Polander) | 53 50 | |
| William Laurence | 12 00 | |
| Phillip Jacque or York | 12 00 | |
| Fred Gilblair and family, 9 children | 75 00 | |
| | | \$1,401 57 |

Fairfield Poor out of Town

| Paid on acct of | | | |
|--|-----|----|--|
| Mrs Joseph Whitney, Canaan | \$6 | 15 | |
| Richard Whitney " | 68 | 69 | |
| Chas Richard family, Winslow | 7 | 10 | |
| John Avery and family, Athens | 100 | 71 | |
| Mrs Ellsworth Daws and family, Oldtown | 117 | 26 | |
| Dollie Pooler, Clinton | 68 | 70 | |
| Mrs Joseph Blaisdell, Skowhegan | 24 | 10 | |
| | | | |

\$392 71

Poor of Other Towns

| | Paid out | Reimbursed |
|--------------------------------------|----------|------------|
| Tramps, village | \$ 3 90 |) |
| Herbert Paterson family, Swanville | | 6 77 |
| Joseph G. Pooler " Vassalboro | | 5 45 |
| Ed Stacy " " | | 17 58 |
| Ida Martin " | 2 | 63 18 |
| Warren Blaisdell family, Otis | 4 00 |) |
| Milton Stevens family, Rome | 18 33 | 5 |
| Lottie Ward and children, Thorndike | 50 00 | 86 50 |
| Josephine Ward, " | 25 00 | 25 00 |
| Fred Stevens, Oakland or Rome | 3 00 |) |
| Mrs Levi Foster & Son, Greenville | 266 70 | 230 00 |
| Mrs Eliza Galusha, unknown | 28 50 |) |
| Frank Johnson " | 3 00 |) |
| Clifford Lewis and family, Skowhegan | 20 88 | 20 88 |
| Alfred Emery, Clinton | 5 00 | 5 00 |
| Lona Pooler " | 1 00 | 1 00 |
| Rufus Fenlason, unknown | 31 - 60 | 0 |
| | | |
| | \$460 93 | 3 \$461 56 |
| | | |

State Poor

| | Paid out | Reimbursed |
|---------------------------|----------|------------|
| Joseph Trambly and family | \$156 23 | \$117 03 |
| Catherine Siriois | 130 00 | 97 50 |
| Mrs Camile Goodwin | 213 12 | 2 150 26 |
| Martin Dale family | 108 3 | 7 107 67 |
| Mrs Simon Holovach | 28 68 | 28 65 |
| Mary Bulka | 26 00 | 26 00 |
| Joseph Washuk | 31 5 | 5 26 55 |
| Baptiste Carpenter | 16 00 |) |
| | | |
| | \$709 93 | 2 \$553 66 |
| Balance due from State | | \$156 26 |

Town Farm Receipts

| Cream sold | \$369 | 10 | | |
|--|------------|----|-------|----|
| Wood ehgd to poor dept | 116 | 50 | | |
| " " School dept | 140 | 50 | | |
| " " Selectmen's office | 8 | 00 | | |
| " sold to local parties | 29 | 00 | 1 | |
| " ehgd to sidewalk acet | 6 | 00 | | |
| Lumber sold to Courrier | 23 | 07 | | |
| " " " Ellis | 4 | 00 | | |
| " chgd to Highway Dept | 33 | 35 | | |
| " and rock to Ford and Greenwood | 8 | 70 | | |
| Rock sold to Conley Bros | 65 | 05 | | |
| 4 pigs & 1 calf sold | 85 | 00 | | |
| Labor of team chgd to Highways | 16 | 00 | | |
| Board of men " " " | 3 2 | 50 | | |
| Labor of team " snow acct | 22 | 60 | | |
| Cash rec'd by Supt for wood, apples, etc | 22 | 89 | | |
| | | _ | \$982 | 26 |

Inmates at Farm

Wellington York Lucinda York

Expenses at Town Farm

| Paid out | | |
|---------------------------------|-------|----|
| Salary of Supt and wife, 1 year | \$600 | 00 |
| Supplies, grain, seed etc | 485 | 97 |
| Fertilizer | 91 | 00 |
| Cutting wood | 82 | 13 |
| Extra labor on farm | 72 | 69 |
| Insurance, house 3 years | 106 | 00 |
| '' barn 1 year | 10 | 50 |
| Hay bought | 65 | 00 |
| 1 cow | 70 | 00 |

| | # 0 | | |
|--------------------------------------|------|----|------------|
| 2 pigs | \$ 8 | 00 | |
| Blacksmith bills | 3 | 75 | |
| Tel bills | 18 | 15 | |
| Clothing for poor on farm | 10 | 60 | |
| Paid by Supt for Pigs labor and mise | 23 | 33 | |
| | | | \$1,647 12 |
| Receipts | | | 982 26 |
| | | | |
| Expenditures over receipts | | | \$664 80 |
| 1111 | | | |
| Inventory Complies on Hand of | | | |

Inventory Supplies on Hand at Farm

| 30 tons hay | \$275 00 | . " |
|---|----------|----------|
| 2 tons straw | 10 00 | |
| 3 cows | 200 00 | |
| 1 calf | 15 00 | 5.7 |
| 3 pigs | 60 00 | |
| 4 M feet lumber | 50 00 | |
| 4 tons fertilizer | 100 00 | |
| 30 cords wood all cut, 4 ft | 100 00 | |
| 125 lbs pork | 20 00 | |
| 15 bbl apples | 5 00 | |
| Groceries and mis supplies in house | 15 00 | |
| Due for cream | 50 00 | |
| | | \$900 00 |
| Increase in value of inventory over last year | | 232 00 |

Poor Boarded at Farm

| Wellington York | 41.1-2 | weeks |
|------------------|----------|----------|
| Lucinda York | 41 1-2 | 66 |
| Rufus Fenlason | 5 | . 6 |
| Miss Mary Foster | 2 | " 3 days |
| Fred Foster | 2 | " 3 days |
| Leo Foster | 2 | " 3 days |

95 weeks, 4 days (669 days)

Tramps Cared For

John Gibson, Bangor, Me John F Chase, Portland Thomas Newman, Rumford Falls, Me Dan Henderson, Boston, Mass

Total of 11 meals

Summary of Poor Account

| Available | | |
|---------------------------------------|-------------|------------|
| Appropriation | \$3,000 00 | |
| Rec'd from State | 553 66 | ; |
| " " other towns | 461 56 | 3 |
| " Lewis Dunbar fund | 192 90 | |
| Reimbursed in town | 81 75 | |
| | | \$4,289 87 |
| Paid out | | |
| Poor in town | \$1,401 57 | |
| Fairfield poor out of town | 392 71 | |
| Poor of other towns | 460 93 | |
| State Poor | 709 92 | 1 |
| Expenses at farm less receipts | 664 86 | |
| | | \$3,629 99 |
| Unexpended | | \$659.88 |
| On the Town Farm this year the expens | | |

over the receipts.

The increased value of the inventory of stock and supplies over last year shows \$232.00 leaving the difference of \$432.86 cost of supporting the poor there 669 days or an average of 65 cents per day to a person.

We think the value of the farm has been increased by cultivation enough to offset the value in stumpage of the wood cut.

Incidental Account

| Appropriated | | | \$2,500 | 00 |
|--|-------|----|---------|----|
| Paid out | | | | |
| Salary W W Merrill, Treas | \$125 | 00 | | |
| Commission of W J Bradbury, collector, | | | • | |
| 1 1-4 per cent on \$48,584.95 | 607 | 31 | | |
| Abbie J Ladd, printing town reports | 65 | 00 | | |
| Salary of W O Hersey, school supt | 466 | 66 | | |
| " " School Committee | 75 | 00 | | |
| Transcribing records | 25 | 00 | | |
| Fees of moderator | 10 | 00 | | |
| " " auditor | - 10 | 00 | | |
| " town clerk | 20 | 00 | | |
| " "truant officer | 20 | 95 | | |
| " dog constable | 23 | 00 | | |
| " "town clerk, recording births, deaths | | | | |
| and marriages | 43 | 40 | | |
| Fees of G M Chapman, legal services | 58 | 65 | | |
| Physicians for recording births and deaths | 18 | 00 | | |
| Lights on bridges 1 year | 84 | 00 | | |
| Rent of Town Clerk's office 1 yr | 150 | 00 | | |
| Use of hall, 5 town meetings and labor | 41 | 97 | | |
| Printing, stationery and postage | 42 | 00 | | |
| Election clerk, elections | 26 | 00 | | |
| Valuation Books | 20 | 85 | | |
| Numbering houses in village | 101 | 00 | | |
| Posting Town warrant | 11 | 00 | | |
| Engineering and blue prints | 27 | 00 | | |

| Insurance, Town hal', Center 2 yrs | 10 | 50 | | |
|--|-------|-----|---------|-----|
| Measuring roads | 5 | | | |
| Fixing water tub | 4 | 10 | | |
| Care of Cemetery lots, reimbursed | 10 | | | |
| Care of Cemetery at Emery Hill, reimbursed | | 25 | | |
| Telephone bill | 9 | | | |
| Misc bills at office and town clerk's office | 55 | | | |
| Misc onis at onice and town clerk's onice | | | \$2,172 | 26 |
| Expense acct Board of Health | | | 160 | |
| Expense acct board of Hearth | | | 100 | |
| | | | \$2.332 | 96 |
| Bal unexpended | | | \$167 | |
| Dar unexpended | | | 9107 | 04 |
| | | | | |
| Monument Park | | | | |
| Appropriated | | | \$100 | 00 |
| Paid out | | | | |
| Fred O Savage, labor | \$63 | 34 | | |
| Geo Toppan, fixing fountain | 7 | 95 | | |
| Labor and trucking | 7 | 80 | | |
| Seed and fertilizer | 1 | 26 | | |
| A H Totman, store bill | - 1 | 62 | | |
| , | | | \$81 | 97 |
| | | | | |
| Unexpended | | | 18 | 03 |
| | | | | |
| Extension of Osborne Street Right | ht of | W | ay | |
| *Appropriated | | | \$50 | 00 |
| Paid J A Adams | | | 50 | 00 |
| | | | | |
| Sheep Killed by Dogs | | | | |
| - , | | | | |
| Paid | 010 | 0.0 | | |
| H C Emery | \$40 | | | |
| T J Paddock | 9 | 00 | | |
| Reimbursed by State | | | \$45 | 00 |
| termoursed by otate | | | \$ £1) | 0.0 |

Lawrence Library

| Appropriated | \$1,000 | 00 |
|------------------------|---------|----|
| Paid W A Archer, Treas | \$1,000 | 00 |

Memorial Day

| Appropriated | ~ | 100 00 |
|------------------|---|--------|
| Paid F. J Savage | | 00 00 |

House on Bunker's Island

| Recd in rent, 19 mos | | \$171 00 |
|----------------------|-----------------|----------|
| Paid out insurance | \$ 10 40 | |
| Water bill | 10 00 | |
| | | \$20 40 |
| | | |
| Balance unexpended | | \$150 60 |

School Account

| Paid | |
|-------------|--------------------|
| Teaching | \$14,574 81 |
| Janitors | 1,607 58 |
| Conveyance | 2,095 72 |
| Repairs | 1,090 95 |
| Incidentals | 197 51 |
| Books | 684 55 |
| Supplies | 1,333 40 |
| Fuel | 1,478 30 |
| Tuition | 49 60 |
| Board | 33 00 |
| | \$23,145 42 |

Board of Health

| B F Rackliff, F J Savage, W L Gous | sse—Of | ficia | ls | |
|--|---------|-------|--------------|-----|
| Expended | | | | |
| Salaries | \$30 | 00 | | |
| Disinfectants | 24 | 00 | | |
| Antitoxin | 46 | 60 | | |
| Labor fumigating six houses | 36 | 60 | | |
| Paid med attdnce family of John Applebee | 23 | 50 | | |
| The state of the s | | | \$160 | 70 |
| | | | | |
| * | | | | |
| Salary of Selectmen | | | | |
| Annuandatad | | | #000 | 0.0 |
| Appropriated Paid | | | \$800 | 00 |
| | 0400 | 0.0 | | |
| L S Bray | \$400 | | | |
| W A. Hill | 200 | | | |
| J A Harris | 200 | 00 | # 000 | 0.0 |
| | | | \$800 | 00 |
| | | | | |
| Interest Account | | | | |
| ·Appropriated | | | \$1,900 | 00 |
| | \$1,360 | 00 | W-4" | |
| Int on loans for current expenses | 356 | | | |
| The on tours for current expenses | | | \$1,716 | 65 |
| Unexpended | | | \$183 | |
| Chexpended | | | \$1110 | 00 |
| | | | | |
| Estate of Peter Roderic | ck | | | |
| Paid out | | | | |
| Cash and supplies to Mrs Roderick | \$160 | 49 | | |
| To insurance on house | 10 | | | |
| Wood from farm | 23 | | | |
| WOOK From Tarin | 20 | 00 | \$193 | 0.0 |
| | | | Ф199 | JJ |

| The town ha | as taken a deed | of house ar | nd lot in | consideration |
|------------------|-----------------|--------------|------------|----------------|
| for support of w | idow. The app | proximate va | lue of bui | lding is \$400 |
| Expended by tov | vn to date in 1 | 915 | . \$210 | 91 |

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School Playground

| Appropriated | | | \$1,200 00 |
|--------------|------|------|------------|
| Unexpended | | | 1,200 00 |

Improvement of School Playgrounds at Covel School House

| Appropriated | | | | \$50 | 00 |
|--------------|---|--|------|------|----|
| Unexpended | • | | | 50 | 00 |

Bonded Debt

| Appropriated | | | \$2,000 | 00 |
|--|---------|----|---------|----|
| Paid by Treasurer | | | \$2,000 | 00 |
| Additional bonds retired | | * | | |
| 2 bonds Nos 8 and 10, due July 1, 1923 and | 1924, | | | |
| taken up at the price of 103 | \$2,060 | 00 | | |
| Accrued interest on same | 10 | 00 | \$2,070 | 00 |
| | | | | |

\$4,070 00

This makes \$4,000 of bonded debt retired this year, leaving outtanding bonds, \$31,000.

Sewers

| 50 11 616 | | | |
|---|--------------|---------------|-----|
| Appropriated | | \$200 | 00 |
| EXPENDED ON OSBORNE ST. SEW | ER (300 ft | long) | |
| Paid | | | |
| Labor and material | \$106 27 | | |
| Sewer pipe | 63 73 | | |
| Man hole castings | 10 00 | | |
| Net cost | | \$180 | 00 |
| Assessed to abutters | | 90 | 00 |
| Cost to town | | \$ 90 | 00 |
| All assignments have been paid except \$: | 10.00 | фэО | 00 |
| All assignments have oven paid except \$ | 10 00. | | |
| SEWER ON COTTAGE STREET | (720 ft long | () | |
| Furnished by town | | | |
| Tile | \$100 80 | | |
| Labor | 6 00 | | |
| | | | |
| Cost to town | | \$106 | 80 |
| Expended on new catchbasin, repairing sewers ker's Island | and drain | on B | un- |
| Labor | \$57 37 | | |
| Material, pipe and castings | 68 11 | | |
| | | \$125 | 48 |
| Total amount expended on sewers | | \$412 | 28 |
| Appropriated | \$200 00 | | |
| Rec'd in assessments | 80 00 | | |
| | | \$280 | 00 |
| | | | |
| Overdrawn | | \$ 132 | 28 |

Highway

| Amount Available | | | |
|--|---------|----|------------|
| Appropriation | \$5,000 | 00 | |
| Rec'd for use of engine | 103 | 00 | |
| Cash for gravel, ashes and labor | 75 | 41 | |
| " Keyes Mfg Co | 32 | 00 | |
| "MCRRCo, culvert lost | 7 | 68 | |
| Lumber and material chgd to State Road & | | | - |
| sewer acct | 38 | 17 | |
| | | | \$5,256 26 |
| Paid out | | | |
| State Highway Commission, Patroller road | \$1,175 | 40 | |
| Labor of men and teams | 2,634 | 12 | |
| Lombard Log Hauler Co, repairs on engine | 1,000 | 00 | |
| Steel culverts and iron pipe | 285 | 74 | |
| Gasolene and oil | 279 | 36 | |
| Lumber for culverts | 70 | 29 | |
| Road machine repairs | * 41 | 60 | - |
| Tools | * 43 | 80 | |
| Misc Store Bills | 36 | 19 | |
| Blacksmith bills | 18 | 60 | |
| Sign boards and printing | 15 | 50 | |
| Gravel | 3 | 30 | |
| Maintenance of water tubs | 9 | 00 | |
| Lumber from town farm | 33 | 35 | |
| Board of men " " | 32 | 50 | |
| Labor of team and man, town farm | 16 | 00 | |
| | | | \$5,694.75 |
| Overdrawn, | | | \$438 49 |

State Aid Road

| Appropriated by town \$930 0 | 0 |
|---|--------------|
| Rec'd from State 685 2 | 4 |
| | - \$1,615 24 |
| Paid out | |
| Pay rolls men and teams \$1,458 2 | 5 |
| Gravel 109 9 | 0 . |
| Steel culvert | 4 |
| Cement 7 1 | 8 |
| Lumber and pipe from Highway dept 16 9 | 0 |
| | - \$1,625 97 |
| Cost of State Inspector and Engineer | 49 04 |
| Net cost of road | \$1,675 01 |
| 3000 run ft built on upper Main St | |
| | |
| State Aid Maintenance | |
| Rec'd from State | \$213 13 |
| Expended | |
| Labor men and teams for hauling gravel on | |
| river road north of Emery Hill \$121 0 | 0 |
| Paid Hume & Newhall, gravel 16 1 | 0 |
| - | _ |
| \$137 1 | 0 |
| Balance expended on Martin Stream bridge | |
| at Hinckley 76 0 | 3 |
| | - \$213 13 |
| | |

Patroled Roads

| Paid to State Highway dept from our | high- | |
|-------------------------------------|-------|-------|
| way funds | \$1,1 | 75 40 |

To be expended by State on roads from Fairfield Village to Skowengan line, River Road; Fairfield Village to Skownegan line, via middle road.

| Bridges | | |
|--|------------------|------------|
| Appropriated | | \$2,000 00 |
| | | |
| STEEL CANAL BRIDG | E | |
| Paid out | | |
| Labor | \$90 90 | |
| Lumber | 318 86 | |
| | 19 85 | |
| | | |
| | \$ 429 61 | |
| Labor furnished by B & F Ry | 20 70 | |
| | | |
| | \$408 91 | |
| Rec'd cash of B & F Ry, 1-2 of expense.,. | 204 46 | |
| | | (|
| Net cost to town of Fairfield | .\$204 45 | |
| | | |
| WIRE SUSPENSION BRIL | GE | |
| Paid | | |
| Labor | \$12 00 | |
| Lumber, spikes, etc | 67 51 | |
| | | \$79 51 |
| | | |
| MARTIN STREAM BRIDGE, RIV | VER ROAL |) |
| Paid | | |
| Labor | \$17 43 | |
| Lumber and spikes | 106 92 | |
| | | \$124 35 |
| the state of the s | | |
| SIDEWALK ON STEEL CANAL | BRIDGE | |
| Paid out | | |
| Labor | \$ 17 75 | |
| Lumber & spikes | 55 00 | |
| | | \$72 75 |

| Paid C L Tobey, lmmber on acct outside of above lots which is now on the island Amount available for bridges, appropriated | | \$550 00 |
|---|---------------|--------------|
| by town | \$2,000 00 | |
| Rec'd from B & F R R | 204 46 | |
| | | \$2,204 46 |
| Total amount expended | | \$1,184 03 |
| Unexpended | | \$1,020 43 |
| The reason for so large a balance is that | t on the larg | gest bridge, |

The reason for so large a balance is that on the largest bridge, we figured on having to renew the planking, but made it go another year.

Sidewalks

| Appropriated for graveling and repairing | \$500 | 00 |
|--|-------|----|
| Paid out, labor for men and teams \$298 95 | | |

Lower High Street Walk, Tar Concrete

| Appropriated | | | \$250 00 |
|-----------------------|----------|----------|----------|
| Paid | | | |
| Labor, teams and wood | \$167 70 | | |
| Tar and pitch | 75 00 | | |
| • | | \$242 70 | |

Tar Concrete Walks, High and Lower Main Street

| Appropriated | | \$1,000 00 |
|-------------------------------|----------|------------|
| Paid out | | |
| Labor, men and teams | \$565 70 | |
| Store acct, supplies, and oil | 29 52 | |
| Sand and loam | 8 10 | |
| Wood | 13 65 | |
| Use of outfit | 10 00 | |
| Nelligan outfit bought | 75 00 | |

| Tar and pitch 440 61 | | | | |
|--|------------------|-----|---------------|----|
| | 31,142 | 58 | | |
| Cost of all sidewalks | 1,684 | 23 | \$1,750 | 00 |
| Unexpended | | | \$65 | |
| Length of tar concrete walk built, 3,000 f | t | | | |
| Cash rec'd for outside work of tar concrete, \$1 | 4 00 3 00 | | | - |
| Sparry Associate | | | | |
| Snow Account | 016 | | | |
| VILLAGE, WINTER 1915-1 | | 0.0 | | |
| Paid in pay rolls, men and teams | \$114 | | | |
| A H Lawrence, sidewalks | 3 2 33 | | | |
| Geo D Kichardson | 99 | 10 | \$ 180 | 21 |
| | | | \$100 | 01 |
| WINTER 1916,1917 | | | | |
| Pay rolls, men and teams | \$316 | 95 | | |
| A H Lawrence, sidewalks | 46 | | | |
| Geo D Richardson " | 58 | | | |
| Repairing Plows | | 35 | | |
| 10 shovels | 5 | 00 | | |
| • | | | \$430 | 25 |
| | \ | | 0.010 | |
| *7:11 | 0010 | - 0 | \$610 | 96 |
| Village | \$610 | | | |
| Country | 1,079 | 11 | | |
| Total amount paid out snow acct | | | \$1,689 | 67 |
| Overdrawn | | | \$689 | |
| o rotation in the second secon | | | ΨΟΟυ | • |
| COUNTRY, WINTER 1915-1 | 1916 | | | |
| Appropriation | | | \$1,000 | 00 |
| Paid out | | | | |
| H M Murray | 17 | 38 | | |
| Geo Mayo | 58 | 66 | | |
| | | - | 1 . | |

| Elfonzo Otis | 30 87 |
|-------------------------|-----------|
| Adin Brooks | 50 65 |
| Arthur Mingo | 28 72 |
| Carl Anderson | 52 50 |
| Chas Tibbetts | $25 \ 05$ |
| William Wood | 21 20 |
| C D Bates | 28 50 |
| L J Tobey | 14 80 |
| Rex Bridges | 6 19 |
| J E Hoxie | 14 60 |
| W H Fisher | 4 00 |
| H G Wentworth | 19 70 |
| Fred L Snow | 5 40 |
| J L Snow | 42 40 |
| Harry O'Neil | 48 70 |
| Fred G Priest | 33 53 |
| Alfred Jones | 11 10 |
| S T Horn | 17 50 |
| Frank Moore | 21 12 |
| Geo Huff and L C Bowden | 23 25 |
| Geo J. Rackliff | 5 54 |
| Ben Ouilett | 5 35 |
| Ed Marcoux | 2 00 |
| Jas W Tuttle | 6 05 |
| Frazier Gee | 48 47 |
| Geo Tibbetts | 12 40 |
| John Otis | 27 45 |
| Wm Tibbetts | 10 65 |
| | |
| | |

\$693 73

COUNTRY, WINTER 1916-1917

| Earl Anderson | \$80 | 95 |
|---------------------|------|----|
| H M Murray | 7 | 50 |
| Geo Huff and others | 34 | 20 |
| Fred Tallouse | 3 | 82 |

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| Harry O'Neil | 42 30 | |
|-------------------|--------------|-----------------|
| Adin Brooks | 27 53 | |
| S S Clough | 60 | |
| Elfonzo Otis | 32 11 | |
| John Otis | 30 25 | |
| Arthur Mingo | 17 00 | |
| Alfred Jones | 8 75 | |
| E J Emery | 13 50 | |
| F S Gee | $52 \ 25$ | |
| Llewellyn Gifford | 12 02 | |
| Town farm team | 22 60 | |
| | | \$385 38 |

Financial Standing

Liabilities

| Bonded debt | \$31,000 | 00 |
|---|----------|-------------|
| Unpresented bills outstanding mostly snow | | |
| bills estimated | 500 | 00 |
| | | \$31,500 00 |

Resources

| Cash on hand | \$3,691 | 02 |
|---|---------|-----|
| Town farm equipment and house furnishings | 5,000 | 00 |
| Honse and lot, Bunker's Island | 1,000 | 00 |
| Town hall, Center | 300 | 00 |
| Town lot, Main St | 300 | 00 |
| Gravel pits | 200 | 00 |
| Highway and sidewalk outfits, road mach- | | |
| ines, snow plows, small tools etc | 500 | 00 |
| 3 cows and 3 pigs at farm | 260 | 00 |
| Hay, fertilizer, lumber, wood at farm | 240 | 00 |
| Due from Skowhegan creamery | 50 | 00 |
| " " Poor acct, State and other towns | 178 | 61 |
| " State, Ind Dept school | 582 | 40 |
| " Benton, Industrial Educa tuition | 108 | 00 |
| " " High School tuition | 45 | 92 |
| "Sewer assessment | 40 | 00 |
| " rent of dwelling house | 54 | 00 |
| Lumber on Island | 550 | 0,0 |
| Tax titles in treas est collectable | 200 | 00 |

| Uncollected taxes, 1916, est collectable | 400 00 |
|--|------------------------|
| State pensions, due town | 108 00 |
| | ——— \$13,807 95 |
| | |
| Net liabilities | \$17,692 05 |
| L. S. 1 | BRAY) |
| W. A. | HILL Selectmen. |
| J. A. | HARRIS) |

To the Taxpayers

In making up this report we want to make a few explanations, as usual.

The Board of Selectmen feel that they have been impartial in their assessment and all taxable property found was appraised to the best of their judgment. In the management of the affairs, our first consideration has been the welfare of the town.

We believe the majority of the taxpayers are interested only in the results. Compare our administration of the past four years with the preceding ones and judge for yourselves as to the merits of our doings.

The expenses of the different departments have been kept near the appropriations and some of them considerably less, with the exception of the Highway and Snow accounts. The appropriation for snow was \$1,000.00 and bills paid to date aggregate the sum of \$1,625. This overdraft was unavoidable on account of the amount of snow to handle since Feb. 10th of last year.

Our highway affairs have been severely criticised and the condition of the roads in general is poor, but we believe it to as good as in our adjoining towns. A large amount of the kicks come from people in the Village, a great many of them having only a poll tax to pay and unwillingly pay that.

The Chairman has heard it said time and again by Village people, "We pay two-thirds of the town's tax and we ought to have

that proportion of the highway money spent on our streets here. They do not stop to think that there are 87 miles of road in town and only about 11 of that in the village limits or that the money raised for the High School, Library, sidewalks, sewers, bridges, the State Aid Road built this year are all wholly in the village and the benefits principally theirs, but the outside taxpayers have to pay their proportion just the same.

For our highways you appropriated \$5,000. Out of this we had to pay over to the State \$1,175.40 for the maintenance of the patrolled roads. It cost \$1,000 for repairs on the tractor this year. We paid \$285.00 for steel culverts and iron pipe leaving only \$2,540.00 for repairing 87 mlies of road. We expended all this and an overdraft of \$438.00 trying to keep the roads in condition. We know of no way to get better roads unless there is more money raised.

The amount paid the road commissioner for his services including horse or auto, is as follows:

Labor on snow roads Feb 10, '16 to Feb 10,

| '1 | 7. | · | \$ 38 25 | , |
|-------|-----|----------------|----------|----------|
| Labor | on | highways | 252 65 | |
| | | State Aid road | | |
| 6.6 | 6.6 | " maintenance | 10 50 | |
| | | | | \$394 40 |

Out of this the State paid \$39.85 leaving the net cost to the town for salary paid Road Commissioner, \$354.55. The amount paid your road commissioner in 1911 was \$760, and in 1912, \$800. Since then the amount paid has been only about one half of that amount.

Comparing the financial standings of the reports of 1913 and 1917 it shows that we have reduced the town debt \$20,800. In the last four years we have paid \$10,000 of the bonded debt and the outstanding notes of \$5,000 or floating debt. We owed the School Department \$2,655 when we closed the books four years ago, while today we do not owe them.

We have \$2,440 cash in treasury after setting aside the \$1,250

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raised last spring for school playgrounds, against \$230 in treasury four years ago.

We believe in showing up the accounts honestly and squarely. Any statements we have made can be proven and the books of the town are open for inspection at any time.

The cooperation of the tax collector, treasurer, school officials and other officers has been all that could be desired, while among the members of the board of selectmen the best of feeling has prevailed throughout the year.

While the old board are candidates for re-election, there seems to be quite an opposition and we hope that the voters will turn out in good numbers on town meeting day and elect the men who, in their opinion, are best qualified to serve as town officials the coming year.

In town affairs there are honest differences of opinions but we have done the best we could as we saw it and have no fears or apologies to offer.

Respectfully,

L. S. BRAY

W. A. HILL

Selectmen.

J. A. HARRIS

\$2 30

Collector's Report

Town of Fairfield, Maine, in account with W. J. Bradbury, Collector. To amount of taxes committed for 1916 \$48,942 38 "supplementary tax for 1916 199 35 " amount collected for 1915 & 1914... 367 76 " amount collected for interest on delinquent polls...... 9 00 \$49,518 49 By Treasurer's receipts..... \$48,751 83 abatements as per list with selectmen 247 88 polls returned.... 87 50 non resident real estate sold 29 90 resident real estate sold 380 25 non-resident personal returned 2 30 resident personal returned 18 83 \$49,518 49

Unpaid Taxes 1916

| Non-Resident, Uncollected | | |
|--------------------------------|--------|---------|
| Bichaud, Edward or Unknown | \$2 30 | |
| Cowan, A J or Unknown | 9 20 | |
| Silver Brothers | 18 40 | |
| • | | \$29 90 |
| Non-Resident, Personal Uncolle | ected | |

Roderick & Simpson \$2 30

| Resident, Uncollected | | | |
|--------------------------------------|------|------------|----------|
| Brown, J. Arnold or unknown, balance | \$22 | 70 | • |
| Chase, Mrs. Etta or Unknown | 5 | 75 | ` |
| Danforth, Charles E or unknown | 39 | 3 0 | |
| Denney, Ambrose or Unknown, balance | 14 | 90 | |
| Eastman, C H or unknown | 42 | 98 | |
| Furber, C E or Unknown | 109 | 22 | |
| Heald, Fred E or Unknown | 24 | 81 | |
| Haskell, Herbert L or Unknown | 5 | 95 | |
| Hodges, A E or Unknown | 42 | 34 | |
| Johnson, Charles E or unknown | 25 | 50 | |
| King, Joseph A or Unknown | 9 | 40 | |
| Perry, Phillip or Unknown | 5 | 95 | |
| Phillis, George or Unknown | 2 | 45 | |
| Strickland, Mrs Florence or Unknown | 9 | 20 | |
| Taylor. Horace or Unknown, balance | 19 | 80 | |
| " I | | | \$380 25 |
| Resident, Personal Uncollected | ed | | |
| Brown, Kate | \$2 | 30 | • |
| Cayford, Geo M or Unknown | 6 | 18 | |
| Newton, Mrs Harry or Unknown | 2 | 30 | |
| Quinlan, Merton or Unknown, balance | | 95 | |
| Scribner, Ralph or Unknown | 7 | 10 | |
| | | | \$18 83 |
| | | | |
| Returned Polls 1916 | | | |
| Walter A. Adams | \$2 | 50 | |
| Joseph Abraham | | 50 | |
| C M Bennett | 2 | 50 | |
| Louis Cote | | 50 | |
| Patrick Coleman | 2 | 50 | |
| Edward Deraps | | 50 | |
| Daniel Donahue | 2 | 50 | |
| Al Damren | 2 | 50 | |
| Frank Foster | 2 | 50 | |
| | | | |

| Louis Gilbert | 2 | 50 |
|-------------------|-----|----|
| Elmer Gorey | 2 | 50 |
| Bert Hooper | 2 | 50 |
| Richard Landry | 2 | 50 |
| George H Merrow | 2 | 50 |
| George A Mitchell | 2 | 50 |
| Elmer Mitchell | 2 | 50 |
| Fred Martin | 2 | 50 |
| Clarence Morgan | 2 | 50 |
| Ralph Ocon | 2 | 50 |
| Fred Robbins | 2 | 50 |
| Felix Parent | 2 | 50 |
| Mike Stanley | 2 | 50 |
| Albus Sheuabe | 2 | 50 |
| Fred Terrio | 2 | 50 |
| William Fisher | 2 | 50 |
| John Carpenter | 2 | 50 |
| Ernest Rolph | 2 | 50 |
| Fred Fisher | 2 | 50 |
| Ernest Cayford | 2 | 50 |
| Everett Buzzell | 2 | 50 |
| William Lumney | 2 | 50 |
| Martin Stobey | . 2 | 50 |
| George Lampher | 2 | 50 |
| Robert Langley | 2 | 50 |
| Emile Johnson | 2 | 50 |
| | | |

\$87 50

Lawrence Library

| W A Arc | cher, Treas, in account with Lawrence | e Libra | ry A | ssociati | on: |
|----------|---|---------|------------|----------|-----|
| 1916 | | | | | Dr. |
| Feb 10 | Bal on hand | \$ 48 | 33 | | |
| | Rec'd from Town | 1,000 | 00 | | |
| | " " State | 141 | 44 | | |
| | Membership dues | 10 | 50 | | |
| | Books sold | 1 | 0 0 | | |
| | | _ | | \$1,201 | 27 |
| Paid | | | | 14 | Cr. |
| Books | ••••• | \$208 | 75 | | |
| | es | 59 | 75 | | |
| | n , | 200 | 00 | | |
| Asst Lil | brarian | 135 | 40 | | |
| Janitor | | 75 | 00 | | |
| Lights | • | 66 | 09 | | |
| Coal | | 162 | 01 | | |
| Insuranc | e | 175 | 20 | | |
| Binding | | 28 | 14 | | |
| | report | 6 | 60 | | |
| | | 11 | 57 | | - |
| | | 41 | 40 | | |
| | | - | | \$1,169 | 91 |
| | Bal on hand | | | \$31 | 36 |
| | | | | | |

Treasurer's Report

| WWM | [errill, Treasurer in account with Tow | of Fairfield. | Dr. |
|---------|--|-------------------|-----|
| 1 | .916 | | |
| Feb 15 | Balance on hand | \$3,335 78 | |
| To cash | | | |
| | To pay outstanding orders | 319 07 | |
| Mar 1 | Received from State Pensions 1915 | 186 00 | |
| 15 | Loan Nat'l Bank of Fairfield | 2,000 00 | |
| April 3 | Loan E S Moseley & Co | 5,000 00 | |
| 15 | Town farm account | 150 28 | |
| 15 | Town of Swanville | 6 97 | |
| May 6 | Town farm account | 18 30 | |
| 6 | Forest Allen, license | 10 00 | |
| 6 | S Savage " | 10-00 | |
| 11 | State, support of poor | 212 03 | |
| 12 | Town Clerk, dog licenses | 40 00 | |
| 13 | Rent of Island house | 135 00 | |
| 15 | Loan, Nat'l Bank of Fairfield | 2,000 00 | |
| 19 | Interest on Trust Funds | 56 35 | |
| 24 | Town Clerk, dog licenses | 40 00 | |
| 31 | Town of Thorndike | 25 00 | |
| 31 | Town farm account | 17 15 | |
| June 2 | Town Clerk, dog licenses | 35 00 | |
| 9 | Loan, Nat'l Bank of Fairfield | 3,000 00 | |
| 10 | Town of Thorndike | 86 50 | |
| 10 | " of Clinton | 1 00 | |
| 10 | S G Wing, license | 10 00 | |
| 16 | David Vigue in trust | 10 00 | |
| 29 | State, Free Public Library | 141 44 | |
| | | | |

| July | 1 | Town Clerk, dog licenses | 20 | 00 |
|------|----|-------------------------------------|-------|-----------|
| | 1 | Loan, Fidelity Trust Co, Portland | 8,000 | 00 |
| | 8 | David Vigue in trust | 10 | 00 |
| | 15 | Town farm account | 26 | 47 |
| | 31 | Merry-go-round license | 10 | 00 |
| | 31 | Keyes Fibre Co, highway acct | 32 | 00 |
| | 31 | Town farm account | 41 | 75 |
| Aug | 2 | Emery Hill Cemetery Committee | 25 | 00 |
| | 12 | State, support of poor | 203 | 67 |
| Sept | 2 | Town farm account | 37 | 93 |
| | 2 | Highway " | 7 | 68 |
| | 8 | Augustus Roncourt, reimbursement | 81 | 75 |
| | 12 | Town Clerk, dog licenses | 9 | 00 |
| | 12 | Town of Benton | 5 | 00 |
| | 12 | Rent of house | 36 | 00 |
| | 16 | W O Hersey, Supt of Schools | 41 | 42 |
| | 23 | Town farm account | 50 | 00 |
| | 30 | | 32 | 88 |
| | 30 | State, support of poor | 17 | 00 |
| Oct | 24 | Fairfield Sav Bank, highway acct | 5 | 00 |
| Nov | 4 | Town farm account | 28 | 96 |
| | 4 | Highway acct | 6 | 25 |
| | 4 | Town of Vassalboro | 86 | 21 |
| | 8 | Harvey & Boyd, highway acet | 103 | 00 |
| | 17 | Town of Benton, tuition | 278 | 60 |
| Dec | 1 | State warrant, dog licenses refnded | 91 | 12 |
| | 1 | | 4,732 | 75 |
| | 1 | " Common School fund | 3,766 | 84 |
| | 1 | " R R and Tel Tax | 489 | 45 |
| | 1 | L S Bray, highway acct | 26 | 67 |
| | 1 | State " | 213 | 13 |
| | 7 | " support of poor | | 97 |
| | 7 | " damage to domestic animals | 45 | 00 |
| | 21 | Mrs C E Choate, sewer | 15 | 00 |
| | 21 | Fred Davis " | 15 | 00 |
| | 21 | State, Improvement of roads | 685 | 24 |

| Dec | 21 | " pensions | 309 | 00 |
|-----|----|-----------------------------------|--------|------------|
| | 24 | " Highway account | 15 | 14 |
| | 27 | George Wyman Est, sewer | 21 | 00 |
| | 30 | Town Clerk, dog licenses | | 00 |
| 191 | 7 | ,, | | |
| Jan | 2 | State Industrial Education | 1,199 | 98 |
| | 2 | Free High School | 500 | 00 |
| | 6 | L S Bray, town farm account | 24 | 50 |
| | 6 | | 39 | 34 |
| | 6 | , | 8 | 70 |
| | 6 | Sidewalk account | 6 | 00 |
| | 20 | Arthur Adams, sewer | 30 | 00 |
| | 23 | Town of Greenville | 230 | 00 |
| | 27 | " " Dexter | 29 | 60 |
| | 27 | " " Skowhegan | 15 | 75 |
| Feb | 5 | " " Burnham, tuition | 21 | 30 |
| | 6 | David Lessor, sewer | 5 | 00 |
| | 9 | Bertha Snell " | 15 | 00 |
| | 9 | Sidewalk account | 8 | 00 |
| | 9 | Highway " | 5 | 60 |
| | 9 | Walter Flint, license | 10 | 00 |
| | 9 | Town farm account | 51 | 59 |
| | 9 | Town of Skowhegan, poor acct | 5 | 13 |
| | 10 | W O Hersey, Supt | 59 | 77 |
| | 13 | B & F Ry Co, expense bridge acct | 204 | 46 |
| | 13 | Town farm acet | 140 | 5 0 |
| | 13 | Lewis Dunbar fund int for support | | |
| | | of poor | 192 | 90 |
| 1 | 13 | Trust funds, int to pay Cem care | 10 | 00 |
| | 13 | Highway account | 16 | 75 |
| | 13 | Town farm account | 2 | 75 |
| | 13 | Emery Hill Cemetery fund | 5 | 25 |
| | 13 | Interest on tax deeds | 10 | |
| | 17 | W J Bradbury, collector \$4 | 18,751 | 83 |
| | | | | 0 |

| 1916 | | | | | |
|---------|------------------------------------|--------|-----|---|---------------|
| Paid | , | | | | \mathbf{Cr} |
| | N | | 0.0 | | CI |
| April 3 | National Bank of Fairfield, loan | | | | |
| 13 | State pensions | 6 | 00 | | |
| 20 | " " | 48 | 00 | | |
| 21 | 46 46 | - 6 | 00 | | |
| 25 | " | 9 | 00 | | |
| May 12 | | 12 | 00 | | |
| 17 | | 6 | 00 | | |
| 26 | | 18 | 00 | | |
| Jun 30 | | 54 | 00 | | |
| July 1 | " " | 33 | 00 | | |
| 1 | 4 bonds due July 1 1916 Nos 45 | | | | |
| | 46, 47, 48 | 2,000 | 00 | | |
| 1 | Coupons due July 1, '16, new issue | 340 | 00 | | |
| 1 | " " 1, '16, old " | 80 | 00 | | |
| 6 | " " 1, '16, " " | 50 | 00 | | |
| 8 - | National Bank of Fairfield, loan | 2,000 | 00 | | |
| 8 | | 3,000 | 00 | | |
| , 15 | Lawrence Free Library | 141 | 44 | | |
| 15 | State pensions | 12 | 00 | | |
| 15 | Coupons due July 1, '16 new issue | 40 | 00 | | |
| 15 | " " 1, '16 old " | 10 | 00 | | |
| Sept 8 | David Vigue | 15 | 00 | | |
| 8 | Coupons due July 1, '16 old issue | 20 | 00 | | |
| 8 | " 1, '16 new " | 160 | 00 | | |
| 12 | State Treasurer, dog tax | 144 | 00 | | |
| 30 | State pensions | 63 | 00 | | 9 |
| Oct 2 | 66 66 | 12 | 00 | | |
| 5 | | 30 | 00 | | |
| 25 | State Treasurer, road patrol | 1,175 | 40 | | |
| Dec 1 | " tax for 1916 | 10,296 | 33 | | |
| 1 | County tax " | 2,879 | 74 | | |
| 23 | State pensions | 6 | 00 | | |
| 29 | E S Moseley & Co, loan | 5,000 | 00 | 6 | |

| 1917 | 7 | | | | | |
|------|----|-----------------------------------|--------|----|----------|----|
| Jan | 2 | Fidelity Trust Co, loan | 8,000 | 00 | | |
| | 2 | Coupons due Jan 1, '17, new issue | 360 | 00 | | |
| | 2 | " " 1, '17, old " | 20 | 00 | | |
| | 2 | State pensions | 42 | 00 | | |
| | 5 | 66 | 30 | 00 | | |
| | 5 | Coupons due Jan 1, '17, old issue | 30 | 00 | | |
| | 24 | " " 1, '17, " " | 70 | 00 | | |
| | 24 | " 1, '17, new " | 160 | 00 | | |
| | 24 | State pensions | 24 | 00 | | |
| Feb | 7 | 66 66 | 6 | 00 | | |
| | 7 | Coupons due Jan 1, '17, new issue | 20 | 00 | | |
| | 12 | Transferred to Emery Hill Cem- | | | | |
| | | etery Fund | 25 | 00 | | |
| | 16 | 2000 bonds 4s due 1923-24 at 103 | 2,060 | 00 | | |
| | 16 | Accrued interest bonds | 10 | 00 | | |
| | 17 | Orders paid | 43,472 | 74 | | |
| | 17 | Cash to pay outstanding orders | 506 | 50 | | |
| | 17 | Cash on hand | 3,691 | 02 | | |
| | | | | | \$88,194 | 17 |
| | | | | | | |

Tax Deeds in Hands of Treasurer

| Resident Owners | \$179 22 | |
|---------------------|----------|----------|
| Non-Resident Owners | 67 02 | |
| | | \$246 24 |

Trust Funds

The National Bank of Fairfield, Depository.

| July 1 | The Emery Hill Cemetery Fund | \$1,000 00 | |
|--------|---------------------------------|------------|------------|
| | Interest accrued and unexpended | | |
| | Feb 12, 1917 | 129 56 | |
| | | | \$1,129 56 |

| 1911 | | | | | |
|---------|---------------------------------------|-------|------|---------|-----|
| April 1 | The H E Tuck Cemetery Lot Fund | 8100 | 00 % | | |
| | Interest accrued and unexpended | | , | | |
| | Feb 12, 1917 | 6 | 68 | | |
| | 255 12, 2521 11111111111111111 | 11 | | \$106 | 68 |
| 1912 | | | | | |
| Feb 2 | The Geo H & Stephen Pishon Cem- | | | | |
| | <u>-</u> | \$200 | 00 | | |
| | Interest accrued and unexpended, | | | | |
| | Feb 12, 1917 | 12 | 86 | #A1A | 0.0 |
| 1912 | | | | \$212 | 86 |
| Oct 1 | The Chas A Wheeler Cemetery lot | | | | |
| | Fund | 100 | 00 | | |
| | Interest accrued and unexpended | | | | |
| | Feb 12, 1917 | 6 | 40 | | |
| | , | - | | \$106 | 40 |
| 1915 | m | , | | | |
| Oct 18 | | | | | |
| | | \$100 | 00 | | |
| | Interest accrued and unexpended | | | | |
| | Feb 12, 1917 | 1 | 70 | \$101 | zα |
| The | Fairfield Savings Depository. | | | \$101 | 10 |
| 1914 | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · | | | | |
| July 11 | The Eugene Fowler Fund | \$475 | 00 | | |
| | Interest accrued and unexpended | 44 | 27 | | |
| | • | _ | | \$519 | 27 |
| 1913 | | | 0.0 | 0.4 555 | |
| Mar 25 | The Lewis Dunbar Fund \$4 | ,775 | 00 | \$4,775 | 00 |
| | (Interest expended for 1916) | | | | |

Fairfield, Maine, Feb. 26, 1917.
This is to certify that I have examined the accounts of the Selectmen and Treasurer for the year ending Feb 10, 1917, and find proper vouchers for the same in full.

A. H. TOTMAN, Auditor

School Department

Report of Superintending School Committee

To the Citizens of Fairfield:

Your committee has held meetings at least once each month during the school year, and has endeavored to serve the schools by immediate action upon all matters relating to them. It was the desire of the committee to keep the expenses of the departments within the appropriations provided, but the increased cost of the necessities has resulted in overdraws.

The high price of fuel has increased the cost of maintaining the schools. The fuel supply in the buildings and paid for at this time of year is usually sufficient for the school year at least. This year the amount on hand and paid for is only sufficient for a short time. Your committee suggests that the fuel account be kept separate from the other accounts, and that the amount appropriated be sufficient to cover the probable cost.

Last year an appropriation of three hundred dollars was necessary to pay the premiums which came due on insurance policies. The coming year one hundred dollars will be required to pay for insurance. A larger amount will be necessary again in 1918 when several large policies will have to be renewed.

The State department of Education is urging all local committees to remodel the one-room rural school buildings. We realize the value of the suggestions that are made, and think that a definite plan to remodel our rural schools should be commenced soon. The

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rural school having the largest attendance should be the first to be remodeled, and the work continued through a series of years until all rural schools are well lighted, heated, ventilated and have proper sanitary arrangements.

We recommend the following appropriations for the ensuing year:

| Common Schools | \$3,500 |
|-----------------------------|---------|
| High School | 3,700 |
| Common School Fuel | 1,100 |
| High School Fuel | 900 |
| High School Janitor | 600 |
| Books, Supplies and Repairs | 2,750 |
| Insurance | 100 |
| Industrial Education | 750 |

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER P. HINCKLEY, Superintending ABBIE J. LADD, School CHARLES A. LAWRY, Committee

Report of the Superintendent of Schools

To the School Board of Fairfield:-

I herewith present to you my ninth annual report of the progress and condition of the public schools of Fairfield. Nothing of importance has happened during the past year to interfere with the good work of the schools and the attendance has been correspondingly good. Too much cannot be said in urging the parents to cooperate with the teachers in bringing about good attendance. It is the duty of parents to keep in touch with the school work of their children not only by signing the rank cards which come home every four weeks but by visiting the schools and talking matters over with the teachers.

TEACHERS—Miss Esther Gilman resigned her position at the North building at the close of the spring term. The vacancy thus caused has been filled by the appointment of Miss Bertha Snell as teacher of grades six and seven. Miss Carolyn Wyman, a recent graduate of the Lawrence High School, has been acting as assistant in the ninth grade room. Miss Alberta Crummett was obliged to resign her position in grades four and five during the summer vacation, and Miss Hattie Brophy, a former Fairfield teacher, was elected to fill that vacancy.

At the South building only one change has been made. Miss Helen Wilson resigned to accept a position in Waterville and Miss Alice Ladd, who had been teaching at Fairfield Center, was transferred to grades three and four at this building. Both teachers at Shawmut have resigned, one to be married, the other on account of ill health. Mrs. Susie McKechnie now has charge of the Grammar school, and Miss Ellen Cunningham the primary. Miss Vesta Carl has taken Miss Ladd's place at Fairfield Center. A full list of teachers employed during the past year will be found in the table of statistics.

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SALARIES—At the town meeting a year ago an extra \$1000 was raised to increase the salaries of common school teachers. As a result the pay for the grade teachers was advanced \$1.50 per week, and the rural teachers \$1.00. This advance is justifiable in order to keep pace with the increase of salaries in other communities of the size of ours, and in order to meet the increased cost of living expenses. Unfortunately the amount of money received from the state for common school purposes was \$286.87 less than the amount received last year owing to the falling off in the annual school census. This together with the fact that the unexpended balance was \$174.64 less than it was a year ago made it impossible to advance the salaries as much as was desired.

FUEL AND SUPPLIES—By consulting the financial statement it will be noticed that the amount expended for common school fuel is only a slight amount in advance of the expenditure of last year, while the high school fuel account is actually smaller than it was a year ago. These figures need explanation in view of the fact that the prices for coal and wood are much in advance of those for last year. Our usual custom has been to have the year's supply of wood delivered and paid for by the first of February and a sufficient amount of coal on hand at the high school building and at the North building to last until the summer vacation. Owing to the scarcity of fuel we have been unable to do as we have generally done. If the usual amount of fuel were on hand and paid for the common school account would be about \$165 more than is shown, while the high school fuel account would be at least \$330 more. This situation can only be met by a larger appropriation for fuel this year.

All school supplies have advanced greatly. Paper that could be bought a year ago for 23 cents per package is now 40 cents. School desks, pencils, crayon and practically all other supplies have made great advances. The teachers have been urged repeatedly to be as economical as possible in the use of supplies and have responded willingly.

HIGH SCHOOL—The high school has had a successful year both in attendance and in work accomplished. Mr. Harold Robinson

of Princeton, a graduate of Clark college, has taken the place of Mr. Ralph Bramhall as sub-master, the latter having resigned during the summer to enter business. Miss Edith Wilcher, commercial teacher, has also left us to accept a better position in Everett, Mass. Miss Annie Merrill, a graduate of the Chandler Shorthand school is now employed in that department.

The following members of the class of 1916 received diplomas: Joseph Binnette, Ralph Blakney, Edith Chatfield, Marguerite Craig, Mary Gilpatrick, Earle Harvey, Ruth Hatch, Irene Jackson, Fred Libby, Janet Lovejoy, Melvin McCurdy, Rolard Osborne, Karl Piper, Walter Plummer, Ashton Richardson, Irviug Rollins, Madeline Salla, Marjorie Smith, Vivian Smith, Carolyn Wyman.

A more detailed account of the high school will be found in the report of the principal which follows.

REPAIRS—Two of the rooms at the North building have been papered and steel ceilings put up. The chimney which was the cause of the fire in the attic a year ago has been rebuilt and the gable roof removed. At the South building one steel ceiling has been put up. A new wood shed has been built at Hinckley to take the place of the one moved to North Fairfield. At the latter place the old shed has been removed and the new one placed on the other side of the school lot. Extra steam radiators have been placed in the commercial room at the high school building as it has always been difficult to heat this room.

PARENT-TEACHER ASSOCIATION—Last spring an entertainment was given under the auspices of this association, the proceeds of which have largely been used for the benefit of the schools. A garden party was given on the park near the close of the spring term, which proved to be a red letter day for the children. About twenty-five automobiles were loaned by the citizens and every child had a ride around the village limits. Music was furnished by the college band, games were played on the park, and refreshments served.

. The third annual flower exhibit was held in the high school assembly hall in the fall. Later the association presented bulbs to the

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children who had bought seeds. As the new state course in nature study recommends special work in flower culture for different grades we would suggest to the association the possibility of co-operating along this line in making plans for the next flower exhibit.

We are also indebted to the ladies of this association for valuable assistance in connection with the junior reading last spring. The prizes amounting to ten dollars were given by them. The pupils of the South building are very grateful for the receipt of a like amount to assist them in the purchase of a piano, which was bought last year.

DONATIONS—The teachers and pupils in several of the schools have been active in raising money by entertainments and other ways for the purpose of buying added equipment and decorations. Victrolas have been bought for the North and South buildings and for the schools at Shawmut. The pupils at Covel and Hinckley have raised funds for the purchase of pictures. At the graduating exercises of the high school the class presented to the school a bust of Lincoln as a companion piece to the one of Washington presented a year ago. The Past and Present club has fitted up a gymnasium in the basement of the high school building which is greatly appreciated by the students. The sum of money presented by the Dial and Clionea clubs for purchasing a stage curtain for the assembly hall has been placed in the savings bank for future use.

The school authorities wish to take this opportunity to thank teachers, pupils and several organizations for their manifest interest in the schools. Through their efforts several valuable additions have been acquired which we would not have felt justified in buying from the regular town appropriations.

RECOMMENDATIONS—When additional land was purchased for the North Fairfield school yard the school board agreed to properly fence the lot. Although the alumni association of the school has not as yet done anything towards improving the condition of the grounds as was planned, yet we would recommend that the lot be fenced this spring. Only two rural school buildings have been painted during the past ten years, those at Nye's Corner and North

Fairfield. The Larone and Martin Stream buildings are much in need of paint and we would recommend that one or both of these be attended to this summer. Both rooms at the Shawmut building should be improved and the building painted. A hard wood floor is needed in the Covel school house. One ceiling at the South building should be replaced by one of steel. The fifty dollars raised a year ago for improving the Covel school grounds is still unexpended. This matter should be attended to this summer.

CONCLUSION—I wish to call attention to the report of the principal of the high school which follows. His recommendations have our hearty approval.

| | 1915 | 1916 |
|--|-------|---------|
| Whole number of persons between 5 and 21 | 1,433 | 1,378 |
| Number registered in public schools | 694 | 749 |
| Average number attending school: | 602 | 652 |
| Average cost common school pupil | | \$28.66 |
| Average cost high school pupil | | 52.60 |

As we have been unable to purchase the usual amount of fuel for the coming year, the average cost per pupil in each department is slightly lower than it otherwise would have been.

Again I wish to thank all concerned for the friendly relations which have existed throughout the school system during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

WILL O. HERSEY

Report of the Principal of Lawrence High School

To Mr. W. O. Hersey, Superintendent of Schools, Fairfield, Maine I herewith submit for your consideration a report of the work done in Lawrence High School during the year ending December 31, 1916.

The number of students enrolled during the year was as follows:
Winter term 121 (Boys 58, Girls 63) average 112
Spring term 122 (Boys 59, Girls 63) average 115
Fall term 129 (Boys 62, Girls 67) average 125

The attendance has not only been unusually good, but there has also been a decided improvement in the punctuality of the pupils.

The course of study remains practically unchanged. We are, however, giving credit towards graduation in the work of Manual Training, Domestic Science, and Music. The number of points given is determined by the amount of work that a pupil does, in the different departments. In all the work, we try to impress upon the minds of the boys and girls the fact that they are to so train themselves that they will become good, useful, and efficient citizens in the community in which they live, regardless of what studies they may be pursuing. In other words that education is training for citizenship.

During the spring vacation the Senior class made a visit to the National Capital, with side trips to Arlington, Alexandria, Mount Vernon, and a stop of five hours, en route, at Philadelphia. This time was utilized by taking an automobile sight seeing tour of the city which gave the members of the party a good, general idea of Philadelphia, and enabled them to visit Independence Hall and the United States Mint. Through the conressy of Senator Johnson arrangements were made whereby the party met President Wilson in his private office. This was a privilege afforded very few such parties at that time.

Last spring we revived the custom of having a Junior Reading, at which time ten members of the Junior class participated in a speaking contest. Four prizes were awarded, two of three dollars, each; and two of two dollars, each. These were the gift of the Parent-Teacher Association, and served as a stimulus to the pupils to do their best.

On the evening following the Junior Reading, there occurred the final exercises of the year. The Senior class took part in these exercises, and during the evening the school diploma was conferred upon twenty-one members. Of this number, nine are pursuing their education in higher insitutions of learning.

On the 22nd of last February, a Music Festival was held in Skowhegan in which the following schools were represented: Skowhegan, Fairfield, Good Will, and Madison. We sent about sixty pupils to participate in the musical program, and two readers to compete in a prize speaking contest with two members from each of the other schools. There were two prizes offered, and the girl's prize was won by the representative from Fairfield.

Lawrence High School has been represented during the year by football, baseball, and basket ball teams, all of which have been a credit to the school. These games are encouraged not only for the exercise and pleasure that pupils acquire by participation in them, but because of the fact that they tend to bring out many manly and womanly qualities that otherwise might remain dormant.

In order to raise funds for the maintenance of athletics we gave again this year what we term the Ecnerwal Pop Concert. From the success of this entertainment, it would seem that it has become an annual event. The gross receipts were \$204.21, and the net receipts \$152.

Through the generosity of the Past and Present Club, there was installed in the basement of Lawrence High School last spring a gymnasium, equipped with chest weights, swinging rings, punching bag, dumb bells, Indian clubs, hand ball apparatus, and medicine balls; consequently the basement has become a most popular place.

Two vacancies occurred in the teaching force last spring by the resignation of Mr. R. A. Bramhall as Sub-Master, and Miss Edith

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Wilcher as Commercial Teacher. These respective positions are being filled by Mr. Harold C. Robinson of Princeton, Maine, and Miss Annie Merrill of Everett, Mass.

Again I wish to call the attention of the citizens to the necessity for individual lockers for students' wraps; and to the desirability of making arrangements for a permanent athletic field.

In closing I wish to state that the success of Lawrence High School during the year has been due to the splendid co operation of all the teachers; and to the unswerving support of Mr. Hersey and the School Board.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN A. PARTRIDGE, Principal.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Common Schools

| Appropriation | \$4,000 | 00 | | |
|----------------------|---------|----|---------|-----------|
| Unexpended last year | 244 | 65 | | |
| Mill tax | 4,732 | 75 | | |
| Common School Fund | 3,766 | 84 | | |
| Tuition | 22 | 00 | | |
| Overdraw | 45 | 70 | | |
| Teaching | | | \$8,725 | 13 |
| Conveyance | | | 2,095 | 72 |
| Janitor | | | 1,011 | 75 |
| Fuel | | | 896 | 74 |
| Tuition, Waterville | | | 49 | 60 |
| Board of pupil | | | 33 | 0.0 |
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| High School | | | | |
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| Appropriation | \$3,500 | 00 | | |
| Received from State | 500 | 00 | | |
| Janitor | 600 | 00 | | |
| Fuel | 600 | 00 | | |
| Tuition, Benton | 278 | 60 | | |
| Tuition | 47 | 30 | | |
| Overdraw | 75 | 72 | | |
| Overdraw last year | | | \$400 | 92 |
| Teaching | | | 4,023 | 36 |
| Janitor | | | 5 95 | 83 |
| Fuel | | | 581 | 51 |
| | \$5,601 | 62 | \$5,601 | 62 |
| Tuition due | 45 | 92 | | |

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| Appropriation \$2,750 0 | 00 | |
| Insurance 300 (| 00 | |
| Books and supplies sold | 37 | |
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| Overdraw last year | \$: | 29 49 |
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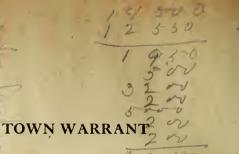
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to

State of Maine

County of Somerset ss.

To Henry D. Brophy a constable of the town of Fairfield in said County:—

You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to warn the inhabitants of the town of Fairfield, aforesaid, qualified to vote in town affairs, to assemble at the Opera House in said town on the fifth day of March, nineteen hundred seventeen, at ten o'clock in the forenoon to act upon the following articles, to wit:

- Art. 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.
- Art. 2. To choose a clerk for the ensuing year.
- Art. 3. To choose selectmen, assessors and overseers of the poor, and all necessary town officers.
- Art. 4. To choose a member or members of the superintending school committee.
- Art. 5. To choose a fire warden for the town, as required by Chapter 108 of the Public Laws of 1913.
- Art. 6. To see what sum the town will raise for incidental expenses.

Recommended by appropriation committee \$2,700.

Art. 7. To see what sum the town will raise for the support of poor.

Recommended by appropriation committee, \$3,000.

Art. 8. To see what sum the town will raise for the support of Common Schools; Free High School; for Books, Supplies and Repairs: High School Janitor; Fuel, Industrial Education, and Insurance.

Recommended by appropriation committee, Common Schools \$3,500; Free High School \$3,800 Books, Supplies and Repairs \$2,750 High School Janitor \$600 Fuel \$2,000 Industrial Education \$750; Insurance, \$100.

Art. 9. To see what sum the town will raise for its highways.

Recommended by appropriation committee, Highways,
\$5,000 Y Patrol \$1,200 Y Main Street \$2,000

- Art. 10. To see what sum the town will raise for its b.ridges Recommended by appropriation committee \$2,000.
- Art. 11. To see what sum the town will raise for breaking snow.

Recommended by appropriation committee \$1,500.

Art. 12. To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money to repair the sidewalks in Fairfield Village.

Recommended by appropriation committee \$1,500.

- Art. 13 To see if the town will vote "yes" or no "no" on the question of appropriating and raising money necessary to entitle the town to State Aid as provided in section 20 of chapter 130 of the Public Laws of 1913.
- Art. 14. To see if the town will appropriate and raise the sum of \$930 for the improvement of the section of State Road as outlined in the report of the State Highway Commissioners, in addition to the amount regularly raised for the care of ways, highways and bridges. The above amount being the maximum amount which the town is allowed to raise under the provisions of section 19 of chapter 130 of the Public Laws of 1913.

Recommended by appropriation committee \$930.

Art. 15. To see what action the town will take in regard to the Two Thousand Dollar Bond that falls due July 1, 1917.

Recommended by, appropriation committee, \$2,000.

Art. 16. To see what sum of money the town will raise to pay for interest on its indebtedness.

Recommended by appropriation committee \$1,500.

Art. 17. To see what sum the town will raise to be paid the selectmen as salary for the ensuing year.

Recommended by appropriation committee \$1,000, \$200 of this to be used for clerk hire for selectmen.

Art. 18. To see what sum the town will raise for the support of a Free Public Library.

Recommended by appropriation committee \$1,000.

Art. 19 To see what sum the town will raise for Memorial Day services.

Recommended by appropriation committee \$100.

Art. 20. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to hire money to pay current expenses in anticipation of taxes.

Art. 21. To see what sum of money the town will raise for the care of Monument Park.

Recommended by appropriation committee \$100.

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Art. 22. To see if the town will vote to build in conjunction with the Fairfield Village Corporation a municipal building and raise money therefor. And further to see if the town will vote to appropriate and use the Town Landing Lot, so-called, on which to erect the building.

Art. 23. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Dollars for the purpose of building and repairing the sidewalks at Fairfield Center, from the house owned by Alton George on the Oakland Road to the house owned by Annie Goodwin on the Skowhegan Road, and from the Skowhegan Road to the church.

Art 24 To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$2.00 to the Fairfield Center Cemetery Association to be used by the Trustees for a monument, or marker, in memory of the early settlers of the town, and the balance for the improvement of said yard.

Art. 25 To see if the town will vote to build a concrete sidewalk commencing at the junction of Main and Pleasant Streets, thence easterly to Water Street; a distance of about 550 ft and raise money for the same.

Art. 26 To see if the town will vote to construct a sewer in accordance with the provision of chapter 21 of the Revised Statutes Said sewer to commence at the corner of Burrill and West Streets running southeasterly down the gully across Robinson Street to the car barn across Main St and M. C. R. R. to the Kennebec River, 1630 ft. long; estimated cost \$1200.

Art. 27. To see what action the town will take in regard to the maintenance or discontinuance of the wooden bridge across the canal.

Art. 28. To hear the report of the committee on the purchase of a school athletic ground, and to see what action the town will take thereon, especially to see if the town will vote to set aside the appropriation (\$1,200) made at the annual meeting in March, 1916

and invest the same and apply the income therefrom for the purpose of hiring and maintaining an athletic ground until the town purchase one.

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Art. 29. To see if the town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to sell the town's interest acquired by tax deeds in the I. C. Libby Island, so called.

Art. 30. To see if the town will vote to appoint a committee of three to take into consideration the matter of a printed history of the Town of Fairfield and report at the next annual town meeting.

Art. 31. To see if the town will vote to establish the price per day for men and teams on the highways.

Art. 32. To see if the town will vote to elect its overseers of the poor for three-year terms as authorized by Section 13, Chapter 4, Revised Statutes, 1916, formerly Chapter 170, Public Laws, 1905; and to take such further action in relation thereto as may be necessary.

Notice is hereby given that the selectmen will be in session at their office on Saturday the third day of March, 1917, at two o'clock in the afternoon to revise the list of voters.

L. S. BRAY W. A. HILL J. A. HARRIS



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SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS AND OVERSEERS OF THE POOR B. H. LAWRENCE W. A. HILL F. E. HAMMOND

SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE

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COLLECTOR

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TOWN CLERK

W. J. BRADBURY

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GRACE E. CLARK

AUDITOR

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Report of Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor

APPROPRIATIONS

| Incidental Expenses | \$2,700.00 |
|---------------------------------------|-------------|
| Support of Poor | 3,000.00 |
| Common Schools | 4,500.00 |
| Free High School | 3,800.00 |
| Books, Supplies and Repairs | 2,750.00 |
| High School Janitor | 600.00 |
| Fuel . | 2,000.00 |
| Industrial Education | 750.00 |
| Insurance | 100.00 |
| Highways | 5,000.00 |
| Patrol | 1,200.00 |
| Main Street | 2,000.00 |
| Bridges | 2,000.00 |
| Breaking Snow | 1,500.00 |
| Repair of Sidewalk in Fairfield Villa | ge 1,500.00 |
| State Aid Road | 930.00 |
| Bonded Debt | 2,000.00 |
| Interest on Indebtedness | 1,500.00 |
| Salary of Selectmen | 800.00 |
| Clerk Hire for Selectmen | 200.00 |
| Free Public Library | 1,000.00 |
| Memorial Day | 100.00 |
| Monument Park | 100.00 |
| Sidewalks at Fairfield Center | 200.00 |
| Monument or Marker at Fairfield C | en- |
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| Sidewalk on Pleasant Street | 300.00 |
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Total appropriations

\$40,730.00

INVENTORY AND ASSESSMENT

| Real Estate | \$1,525,750.00 | |
|-----------------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Personal Estate | 451,770.00 | |
| | | \$1,977,520.00 |
| Assessed on \$1,977,520.00 at 27 | | |
| mills | \$53,393.04 | |
| Assessed on 1,210 polls at \$2.50 | 3,025.00 | |
| | | \$56,418.04 |
| State tax | \$12,522.41 | |
| County tax | 2,793.98 | |
| Appropriation | 40,730.00 | |
| Overlay | 371.65 | |
| | | \$56,418.04 |

LIST OF LIVE STOCK

| , | No. | Total Value |
|--------------------------|-----|-------------|
| Horses and mules | 508 | \$48,355.00 |
| Colts, 3 to 4 years old | 19 | 1,665.00 |
| Colts, 2 to 3 years old | 29 | 2,030.00 |
| Colts, under 2 years old | 17 | 780.00 |
| Cows | 566 | 21,150.00 |
| Oxen | 3 | 180.00 |
| Three years old | 99 | 2,660.00 |

LIVE STOCK EXEMPT FROM TAXATION

| Two year old cattle | 177 | \$3,305.00 |
|---------------------------|-------|-------------|
| One year old cattle | - 186 | 1,859.00 |
| Sheep | 569 | 2,854.00 |
| Swine | 102 | 1,510.00 |
| | | |
| 2275 head of stock, value | | \$86,348.00 |

OTHER KINDS OF PERSONAL PROPERTY

| Bonds, 1 | \$ 500.00 |
|----------------------------|--------------|
| Bank Stock, 455 shares | 39,260.00 |
| | |
| Money at interest | 4,540.00 |
| Stock in trade | 89,580.00 |
| Vessel property | 4,120.00 |
| Small boats | 200.00 |
| Logs and lumber | 37,050.00 |
| Wood and bark | 730.00 |
| Carriages | 940.00 |
| Automobiles, 116 | 30,860.00 |
| Musical instruments, 243 | 23,730.00 |
| Finished products in mills | 18,900.00 |
| Materials in stock | 15,000.00 |
| Machinery | 86,600.00 |
| Other property | 22,940.00 |
| | \$374,950.00 |
| | |

POOR ACCOUNT

FAIRFIELD POOR IN TOWN NOT ON FARM

| PAID OUT | |
|-------------------------------|---------|
| Care of town lots in cemetery | \$ 5.00 |
| Town physician on contract | 89.00 |
| Clara Murray and family | 384.85 |
| Annie Pooler | 46.54 |
| Fred Gilblair and family | 247.00 |
| Mary Pooler | 31.75 |

| Mary Perry | 140.40 |
|-------------------------------------|--------|
| Clifford Wood and family | 2.50 |
| Jerry Garland | 187.62 |
| Jas. & Edw. Dillingham (Reimbursed) | 4.50 |
| Joseph Bishop | 4.29 |
| Mrs. Flora Collins and family | 74.40 |
| Mrs. Ellen Lecourrs | 14.25 |
| Mrs. George Perry and family | 59.15 |
| Peter Brigham and family | 71.85 |
| Howard McCoombs | 60.83 |
| Mrs. Eva Howard | .75 |
| Peter Clement | 3.50 |
| Leo Foster | 79.35 |
| Ida Roderick | 92.30 |
| Mrs. Lucy Roderick | 175.50 |
| Joseph Roderick, Jr. | 6.50 |
| Alice Clair | 14.75 |
| Mrs. Silas Ware | 3.00 |
| Beatrice Lebreck | 43.00 |
| Mrs. Catherine McShane | 125.00 |
| Mrs. Neal | 30.00 |
| Mrs. Lillian Robinson | 46.00 |
| David Vigue | 40.36 |
| | |

\$2,083.94

FAIRFIELD POOR OUT OF TOWN

| PAID ON ACCOUNT OF | |
|------------------------------------|--------|
| John Avery and family, Athens \$ | 116.53 |
| Charles York and family, China | 11.00 |
| Richard Whitney and family, Canaan | 16.00 |
| Mrs. Vella Charity, Mexico | 10.00 |
| Mrs. Ellsworth Dawes, Old Town | 49.50 |
| Small pox cases in Anson | 959.71 |
| Mrs. Joseph Whitney, Canaan | 5.00 |
| Mrs. Joseph Blaisdell, Skowhegan | 7.00 |

\$1,174.74

POOR OF OTHER TOWNS

| | Paid out Re | imbursed |
|-------------------------------------|-------------|----------|
| Tramp | \$.60 | |
| Mrs. Levi Foster, Greenville | 675.97 | \$660.97 |
| Warren Blaisdell, Otis | 141.44 | 4.00 |
| Olof Johnson, Stacyville Plantation | 20.75 | |
| Mabel Brown, Newport | 43.00 | |
| George Kelley, Caribou | 43.00 | 40.50 |
| Mrs. Milton Stevens, Rome | 32.10 | 16.50 |
| George H. Foster, Greenville | 77.00 | 77.00 |
| C. R. Monk, Vassalboro | 18.00 | |
| Annie LaPlante, Reed Plantation | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| B. F. Robbins, Vassalboro | 2.50 | |
| Rufus W. Fenlason, Residence not pl | aced 2.00 | |
| | | |
| 8 | \$1,057.36 | \$799.97 |

STATE POOR

| | Paid out Re | eimbursed |
|------------------------------------|-------------|-----------|
| Joseph Trambley and family | 213.05 | \$213.05 |
| Mrs. Camille Goodwin and family | 137.52 | 119.52 |
| Catherine Sirois | 158.50 | 143.50 |
| Mrs. Martin Dale and family | 132.88 | |
| Joseph Washuk | 5.00 | |
| Mrs. William Stockman | 13.87 | 10.00 |
| Mrs. Arthur Carpenter | 49.00 | |
| William Bruneau and family | 43.00 | |
| George Lessard and family, State & | Vas- | |
| salboro | 235.72 | |
| Violet Blair | 30.00 | |
| Julia Daggett | 23.15 | |
| | \$1,041.69 | \$486.07 |
| Balance due from State | | \$555.62 |

COMMITMENTS TO INSANE HOSPITAL

| | | Paid out Reimbursed |
|------------------|---|---------------------|
| Andrew Pooler | | \$ 14.27 |
| Howard McCoombs | | 14.75 |
| Andrew Dostie | | 11.65 |
| William Lawrence | | 2.00 |
| Horace Taylor | | 13.92 |
| M. P. Heath | 4 | 50.16 · \$ 50.16 |
| Frank H. Baker | | 12.21 |
| Paul K. Gifford | | 11.00 11.00 |
| Harry Lowe | 1 | 3 7. 78 |
| | | |
| | | \$167.74 \$ 61.16 |

TOWN FARM RECEIPTS

| Cream sold \$ | 524.42 | |
|--|--------|------------|
| Wood charged to poor account | 195.00 | |
| Wood charged to Selectmen's office | 20.00 | |
| Wood sold to local parties | 88.00 | |
| Boards sold to Currier | 3.50 | |
| Lumber and logs charged to bridge acct. | 137.93 | |
| 2 hogs, 1 cow and 2 calves | 161.28 | |
| 11 bbls. apples | 11.00 | |
| Meat sold | 3.48 | |
| Squash sold | 8.23 | |
| Labor removing snow | 26.40 | |
| Cash rec'd by Supt. for materials sold | 33.64 | |
| The state of the s | | \$1,212,88 |

POOR BOARDED AT FARM

| Wellington York | 1 . | 52 | weeks |
|-----------------|-----|------|-------|
| Lucinda York | | 52 | weeks |
| Howard McCoombs | | 91/2 | weeks |
| John Roderick | | 4 | weeks |
| Ida Roderick | | 60 | days |

126 weeks 2 days

INMATES AT FARM

Wellington York Lucinda York

EXPENSES AT TOWN FARM

| P | AID | 0 | U | T |
|---|-----|---|---|---|
| | | | | |

| Salary of Supt. and wife, 11 months\$ | 595.00 |
|---------------------------------------|--------|
| Supplies, grain, seed, etc. | 812.56 |
| Ice and labor | 212.52 |
| Telephone | 11.37 |
| Separator | 45.00 |
| Pigs | 10.00 |
| Fertilizer | 22.80 |
| Insurance on barn | 10.00 |
| Blacksmith's bills | 7.85 |
| · . | |

\$1,727.10

Receipts

\$1,212.88

Expenditures over receipts

\$514.22

INVENTORY OF SUPPLIES ON HAND AT FARM

| 2½ tons fertilizer | \$ 94.00 | |
|---------------------------|-----------|----|
| 2 cows | 125.00 | |
| 1 heifer, 1 year old | 25.00 | |
| 10 bbls. apples | 20.00 | 0 |
| 20 bushels beans | 180.00 | |
| 20 tons hay | 200.00 | |
| 71 cords wood | 497.00 | |
| Flour and small groceries | 40.00 | |
| 200 lbs. sald pork | 56.00 | |
| 2000 ft. sawed lumber | 50.00 | |
| | \$1,287.0 | 0(|
| | | |

Increase in value of inventory over last year

\$387.00

SUMMARY OF POOR ACCOUNT

| AVAILABLE | | |
|----------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Appropriation | 3,000.00 | |
| Received from State | 658.13 | |
| Received from other towns | 798.97 | |
| Received from Lewis Dunbar fund | 192.90 | |
| Reimbursed in town | 147.00 | |
| Reimbursed for commitments Insan | e | |
| Hospital | 61.16 | |
| | | \$4,758.16 |
| PAID OUT | | |
| Poor in town | \$2,083.94 | |
| Fairfield poor out of town | 1,174.74 | |
| Poor of other towns | 1,057.36 | |
| State poor | 1,041.69 | |
| Expenses at farm less receipts | 514.22 | |
| Commitments to Insane Hospital | 167.71 | |
| _ | | \$6,039.69 |
| | | 01 001 50 |
| Overdrawn | | \$1,281.53 |

\$959.71 of this overdraft was on account of the families of Cyrille Brideau, Frank Cyr, Peter Parent and Frank Duguay being quarantined with smallpox at North Anson. The balance of the overdraft is caused by the increase in the prices of wood, coal and other supplies.

INCIDENTAL ACCOUNT

| Appropriated Due from State | \$2,700.00 |
|---------------------------------------|------------|
| _ | \$2,720.00 |
| PAID OUT | |
| Salary and Bond, W. W. Merrill, | |
| Treas. for 1916 | \$ 150.00 |
| Commission of W. J. Bradbury, Col. | · * |
| 11/4% on \$55,894.93 | 698.71 |
| Salary of W. O. Hersey, Supt. of | |
| Schools, 6 months | 233.38 |
| Salary of W. M. Teague, Supt. of | |
| Schools, 6 months | 233.28 |
| Salary of Abbie J. Ladd, School | |
| Committee | 25.00 |
| Salary of C. A. Lawry, School Com. | 25.00 |
| Fees of moderator | 10.00 |
| Fees of auditor | 10.00 |
| Fees of town clerk | 25.00 |
| Fees of truant officer | 26.75 |
| Fees of dog constable | 17.00 |
| Fees of town clerk, recording vital | |
| statistics | 49.30 |
| Fees of physicians, reporting births | |
| and deaths | 47.75 |
| Fees of clergymen for reporting | |
| marriages | 5.00 |
| Fees of G. M. Chapman, legal services | 59.62 |
| Lights on bridges | 82.75 |
| Rent of town clerk's office, 1 year | 150.00 |
| Abbie J. Ladd, printing town reports | 69,00 |
| | |

| II. of Onema House | 15.00 | |
|--|---------|----------|
| Use of Opera House | 15.00 | |
| Ballot Clerks | 4.00 | |
| Royal Typewriter Co. | 61.60 | |
| Printing | 39.13 | |
| Books and Supplies | 46.96 | |
| Collecting and binding old town | | |
| reports | 7.75 | |
| Engineering | 41.83 | |
| Posting warrants | 11.00 | |
| Insurance on town hall at Center | 5.76 | |
| Burroughs Co. | 172.81 | |
| Telephone bill | 17.17 | |
| Guarding bridges and Shawmut dam | 51.00 | |
| W. W. Nye & Co., error in taxes, | | |
| 1912-13-14-15-16 | 34.32 | |
| F. S. Woodman, error in taxes | 6.21 | |
| Gathering Browntail moths | 5.70 | |
| Expert advice in Sanatorium sewer | 0 | |
| case | 12.20 | |
| Repairs on Selectmen's office | 28.62 | |
| Lumber for shed on Island | 25.00 | |
| Maintaining water tubs | 9.00 | |
| _ | 40.00 | |
| Removing Perley Pratt's hedge | 40.00 | |
| Misc. bills for office supplies, postage | 1177.00 | |
| and expense | 117.68 | 2070 10 |
| , - | \$ | 2,670.18 |
| The control of the co | | 040.00 |
| Unexpended | | \$49.82 |
| | | |

MONUMENT PARK

| Appropriated | \$ 100.00 |
|-----------------------|-----------|
| PAID OUT | |
| John C. Smith, labor | \$ 14.00 |
| A. H. Lawrence, labor | 2.00 |
| Lamont Ames, labor | 6.00 |
| Allie Webber, labor | 6.00 |

| George Dulac, trucking A. H. Totman, supplies Howard Linnell, painting flag pole Labor 14.60 12.00 39.20 | |
|---|--------------------------|
| Unexpended | \$5.70 |
| MEMORIAL DAY | |
| Appropriated Paid F. J. Savage | \$100.00 \$100.00 |
| LAWRENCE LIBRARY | |
| Appropriated Paid W. A. Archer, Treasurer | \$1,000.00 \$1,000.00 |
| SALARY OF SELECTMEN | |
| Appropriated | \$800.00 |
| PAID B. H. Lawrence \$400.00 W. A. Hill 200.00 F. E. Hammond 200.00 | , |
| CLERK HIRE FOR SELECTMEN | |
| Appropriated Paid Grace E. Clark | \$200.00 \$200.00 |
| MONUMENT OR MARKER AT FAIRFIELD CEMETERY | CENTER |
| Appropriated Paid W. W. Tozier | \$200.00 \$200.00 |

SHEEP KILLED BY DOGS

| PAID | | | |
|---------------------|--|----------|----------|
| T. J. Paddock | | \$162.50 | |
| M. C. Emery | | 144.00 | |
| L. P. Gifford | | 18.00 | |
| Mrs. Abel Hoxie | | 18.00 | |
| Alonzo Hoxie | | 45.00 | |
| William Tibbetts | | 19.50 | |
| Charles Conforth | | 9.00 | |
| C. L. Bowden | | 9.00 | |
| Carl H. Goodwin | | 9.00 | |
| | | \$ | 434.00 |
| Received from State | | | \$434.00 |

HOUSE ON BUNKER'S ISLAND

| Received for rent, 17 months | | | \$153.00 |
|------------------------------|------|------|----------|
| PAID OUT | | | |
| Water bill | \$ | 6.25 | .) |
| A. H. Totman, repairs | | 1.30 | |
| | | \$ | 7.55 |
| Balance unexpended | | \$ | 145.45 |

BOARD OF HEALTH

F. J. Savage, W. L. Gousse, B. F. Rackliff—Officials No appropriation.

| PAID OUT | |
|----------------------------|----------|
| Salaries | 30.00 |
| Fumigating and expense | 23.97 |
| Disinfectants | 27.00 |
| Wood for F. H. Carter | 8.00 |
| | \$ 88.97 |
| Reimbursed by F. H. Carter | \$ 8.00 |
| | \$ 80.97 |

INTEREST ACCOUNT

| Appropriated | \$1,500.00 |
|--|------------------------------------|
| Int. on bonds paid by Treasurer Int. on loans for current expenses | \$1,200.00 336.40 \$1,536.40 |
| Overdrawn | \$ 36.40 |

BONDED DEBT

| Appropriated | \$2,000.00 |
|-------------------|------------|
| Paid by Treasurer | 2,000.00 |

DEPENDENT FAMILIES OF SOLDIERS AND SAILORS

| PAID OUT | 8 | 1 | | |
|-------------------|-------|---|-------------|--------|
| Sylvia Taylor | | | \$ 44.00 | |
| Mrs. Miles T. Sha | aw | | 32.00 | |
| Mrs. Maurice C. | Emery | | 48.00 | |
| Mrs. C. A. Bunk | er | | 32.00 | |
| | | | \$ | 156.00 |
| Due from State | | | \$ | 156.00 |

MOTHERS' PENSIONS

| PAID OUT | (one-half paid by | State) |
|------------------------------|-------------------|--------|
| Cassie E. Parlin | \$ 42.50 | |
| Everlena Maude Chase (Benton | 130.00 | |
| | \$ | 172.50 |
| Received from State | \$ 86.25 | |
| Due from Benton | 65.00 | |
| | \$ | 151.25 |

WORK DONE PER ORDER OF PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

| PAID OUT | | |
|-------------------------------------|----------|-------|
| Removing Perley Pratt's hedge (In- | | |
| cidental account) | \$ 40.00 | |
| Cutting bushes, Pulp Mill crossing | V | |
| (Snow account) | 6.50 | |
| Trimming trees, Emery Hill crossing | | |
| (Snow account) | 16.25 | |
| 2 trips to Hoxie's Siding (Highway | | |
| account) | 8.50 | |
| | \$ | 71.25 |
| One-half to be paid by State | \$ | 35.62 |

HEATING PLANT FOR LAWRENCE PUBLIC LIBRARY

At a special meeting held on October 13, 1917, it was voted that the Selectmen be instructed to raise a sum of money not to exceed \$1,000.00 to install a heating plant in the Lawrence Public Library. The amount expended was \$831.31.

SCHOOL ACCOUNT

| 1 - | \$15,129.51 | |
|-----|-------------|---|
| * | 1,690.00 | |
| | 2,475.30 | |
| | 733.93 | |
| | 1,107.03 | |
| | 1,216.13 | |
| | 2,398.24 | |
| | 180.73 | |
| 4. | 42.40 | |
| | 93.00 | |
| | 67.50 | |
| | \$25,13 | 3.77 |
| | | 1,690.00 2,475.30 733.93 1,107.03 1,216.13 2,398.24 180.73 42.40 93.00 67.50 |

HIGHWAYS

| Appropriated | \$5,000.00 |
|----------------------------|------------|
| Received for work on sewer | 3.00 |
| Due from State | 4.25 |
| • | \$5,007.25 |

VILLAGE

| PAI | | |
|-------|--------------------|--|
| | | |
| 1 111 | $\boldsymbol{\nu}$ | |

| Labor of men and teams | \$4,096.98 |
|---------------------------|------------|
| Gravel, pipe and supplies | 146.17 |
| Road machine repairs | 682.75 |
| Blacksmith bills | 18.32 |
| Traffic Signal | 6.00 |
| | \$4,950.22 |

COUNTRY

| PAID OUT | |
|------------------------|-----------------------|
| Labor of men and teams | \$1,256.91 |
| Lumber and pipe | 20.60 |
| Culverts | 443.40 |
| Blacksmith bill | 14.83 |
| | \$1,735.74 |
| Total paid out | \$6,685.96 |
| Total pard out | |
| Overdrawn | \$1,678.71 |

STATE AID ROAD

| Appropriated | \$ 930.00 |
|---------------------------|-----------------------|
| Received from State | 590.84 |
| Engineering paid by State | 106.66 |
| Dirt sold | 6.00 |
| | \$1,633.50 |
| PAID OUT | |
| Labor of men and teams | \$1,495.92 |
| Stone | 36.00 |
| Gravel | 15.30 |
| Supplies | 11.77 |
| | \$1,558.99 |
| Overdrawn | \$ 74.51 |

The above bill for \$106.66 paid by State includes engineering for the length of Main street from the Post Office to the Waterville, Fairfield and Oakland car barn.

MAIN STREET

| Appropriated | | \$2,000.00 |
|----------------------------|----------|-------------|
| PAID OUT | | |
| Labor of men and teams | \$1,564. | 14 |
| Brick | 23.0 | 00 |
| Catch basins | 33.0 | 00 |
| Pipe | 334.8 | 38 |
| Oil | 3.0 | 00 |
| Supplies · | 2.0 |)5 |
| Burlap | 20.3 | 34 |
| Gravel . | 14. | 70 |
| Blacksmith bill | 4.9 | 90 |
| | | _\$2,000.01 |
| Overdrawn | | \$.01 |
| PATROL | | |
| Appropriated | | \$1,200.00 |
| Paid to State by Treasurer | | 956.10 |
| Unexpended | | \$ 243.90 |

BRIDGES

| Appropriated | \$2,000.00 |
|---------------------------------------|---------------|
| REPAIRING BRIDGES BETWEEN BENTON | FAIRFIELD AND |
| PAID OUT | |
| Labor | \$ 264.74 |
| Lumber | 581.49 |
| Spikes | 15.00 |
| Removing snow from bridges | 88.75 |
| Petition for inspection of bridge | 5.00 |
| 18 | \$ 954.98 |
| Due from Benton and Fairfield Ry., on | ie- |
| half expense | 477.49 |
| | |
| Net cost to Town of Fairfield | \$ 477.49 |
| FISH BROOK BRIDG | GE |
| PAID OUT | |
| Labor | \$ 682.09 |
| Green & Wilson, surveying | 25.00 |
| Supplies | 15.82 |
| Lumber and logs | 76.93 |
| Blacksmith bill | 22.50 |
| | \$ 822.34 |
| | |
| CRAGIN BROOK BRII | DGE - |
| PAID OUT | |
| Labor | \$ 116.50 |
| Lumber | 35.53 |
| Spikes | 2.50 |
| Blacksmith bill | 9.00 |
| | \$ 163.53 |
| | |

Unexpended

BRIDGE ON ROAD UNDER MOUNTAIN

| PAID OUT | | | | | |
|-------------|-------------|----------------|-----|-----------|------------|
| Labor | | | \$ | 53.76 | |
| Lumber | | | | 75.55 | |
| Spikes and | d supplies | | | 3.50 | |
| | , surveying | (lumber) | | 1.50 | |
| Blacksmit | | | | 17.65 | |
| | | | _ | | 3 151.96 |
| | | | | - | |
| | HOD | AT THE T DOE | Dan | | |
| | HOR | N HILL BRI | DGE | | |
| PAID OUT | - 1 | | | | |
| Labor | 0.3 | | - § | 49.00 | |
| Lumber | 1 | | 7 | 12.18 | |
| | | | _ | | 61.18 |
| 9 | | | | , | 02120 |
| 1 - | | Summary | | | |
| AVAILABLE | | | | | |
| Appropria | ted | | \$ | 32,000.00 | 7 |
| | | l Fairfield Ry | | 477.49 | |
| | | | _ | | \$2,477.49 |
| Total amoun | t armanda | a | | | |
| Total amour | it expende | a | | • | \$2,153.99 |
| | | | | - | |

\$323.50

SIDEWALKS

| Name of the Control o | |
|--|--|
| Appropriated | \$1,500.00 |
| MAPLE STREET | • |
| PAID OUT Labor Gravel Tar Supplies | \$ 563.72 116.05 40.00 2.66 |
| SUMMIT STREET | • |
| PAID OUT Labor Gravel Tar | \$ 100.78 10.50 18.50 —————————\$ 129.78 |
| Summary | • |
| AVAILABLE Appropriated Rec'd for walk in front of A. & P. store Credit for tar barrels returned | \$1,500.00 8.00 11.00 \$1,519.00 |
| PAID OUT Maple street sidewalk Summit street sidewalk Repairing other sidewalks Gravel in shed on island | \$ 722.43 129.78 53.75 25.50 \$ 931.46 |
| Unexpended | \$ 587.54 |
| | |

PLEASANT STREET

| \$ | 300.00 |
|-----------|---------------------------------|
| | |
| \$ 302.22 | |
| 52.50 | |
| 18.50 | |
| \$ | 373.22 |
| · v - | |
| \$ | 73.22 |
| - 4 | |
| D CENTER | |
| \$ | 200.00 |
| | |
| \$ 12.75 | |
| 16.00 | 1 |
| 15.32 | |
| 22.50 | |
| 11.25 | |
| 15.52 | |
| 43.33 | |
| 12.50 | |
| 36.11 | |
| 15:00 | |
| 4 | 200.28 |
| | 200.20 |
| | \$ 302.22 52.50 18.50 |

SNOW ACCOUNT

VILLAGE

| PAID OUT Labor, men and teams | \$ 895.54 |
|-------------------------------------|------------|
| A. H. Lawrence, sidewalks | 78.50 |
| G. D. Richardson | 106.50 |
| American Ice Co., for scrapers | 20.00 |
| Blacksmith bill | 2.00 |
| | \$1,102.54 |
| | |
| COUNTRY | |
| PAID OUT | |
| Labor, men and teams | \$2,681.34 |
| Town farm team | 26.40 |
| | \$2,707.74 |
| · | |
| Total expended | \$3,810.28 |
| AVAILABLE , | |
| Appropriation | \$1,500.00 |
| Due from Waterville, Fairfield & Oa | k- |
| land Ry | 178.50 |
| Due from Fairfield & Shawmut Ry | 68.00 |
| Due from State | 11.37 |
| | \$1,757.87 |
| 9 | |
| Overdrawn | \$2,052.41 |

Financial Standing

LIABILITIES

| Bonded debt | \$29,000.00 |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|
| Note for Library heating plant | 831.31 |
| Unpresented bills outstanding, mo | stly |
| snow bills, estimated | 1,000.00 |
| Note for use of Playground money | 1,200.00 |
| | \$32,031.31 |

RESOURCES

| Cash on hand | \$ 429.37 |
|--|-----------|
| Town farm equipment and house fur- | |
| nishings | 5,000.00 |
| House and lot, Bunker Island | 1,000.00 |
| Roderick house | _250.00 |
| Town hall, Center | 300.00 |
| Town lot, Main Street | 300.00 |
| Gravel pits | 200.00 |
| Highway and sidewalk outfits, road ma- | |
| chines, snow plows, small tools, etc | 500.00 |
| 2 cows and 1 heifer at farm | 150.00 |
| Hay, fertilizer, lumber, wood, apples | |
| and beans | 1,191.00 |
| Due from Skowhegan Creamery | 68.64 |
| Due from State and other towns | 831.25 |
| Due from sewer assessment | 10.00 |
| Tax titles in Treas., estimated col- | |
| lectable | 226.00 |

Uncollected taxes, 1917, estimated col-600.00 lectable State pensions, due town 18.00 -\$11,074.26 \$20,957.05

Net liabilities

B. A. LAWRENCE W. A. HILL F. E. HAMMOND

Collector's Report

Town of Fairfield, Maine, in account with W. J. Bradbury, Collector:

Dr.

| Amount of taxes committed for 1917 \$8 | 56,418.04 | |
|--|-----------|-------------|
| Supplementary tax for 1917 | 76.60 | |
| Amount collected for years 1914-15- | | |
| 16, as per list with Selectmen | 412.91 | |
| Sale of I. C. Libby Island, so-called, | | |
| taxes 1912-13-14-15-16-17 | 14.30 | |
| Average interest on same at 20% | 8.58 | |
| Net profit for town | 6.51 | |
| | | \$56,936.94 |
| Cr. | | |
| Abatements, per list with Selectmen \$ | 302.88 | |
| Polls returned | 95.00 | |
| Non-resident real estate sold | 93.07 | |
| Non-resident personal estate returned | 35.10 | |
| Resident real estate sold | 515.96 | |
| Treasurer's receipts | 55,894.93 | |
| _ | | \$56,936.94 |
| | | |

UNPAID TAXES 1917

NON-RESIDENT REAL ESTATE

| Bickford, Lyle or unknown \$ | 1.32 |
|--------------------------------------|------|
| Bichaud or Vashon, Edward or unknown | 2.70 |
| Barton, Charles on unknown | 5.40 |
| Cowan, heirs of A. J. or unknown | 1.35 |

| Denney, Ambrose or unknown | | 35.10 | |
|--|----|--------|--------|
| Joy, Mrs. Benjamin or unknown | | 42.20 | |
| Loder, C. P. or unknown | | 2.70 | |
| Thompson, W. G. or unknown, balance | | 2.30 | |
| | | \$ | 93.07 |
| | | | |
| Non-Resident Persona | L | | |
| Johnston, Percy or unknown | \$ | 27.00 | |
| Pooler, Chas. A. or unknown | · | 8.10 | |
| 1 | | \$ | 35.10 |
| | | - ' | |
| RESIDENT REAL ESTATE | 2 | | |
| Brown, Mrs. Louise or unknown, bal. | \$ | 78.15 | |
| Atwood, W. K. or unknown, balance | · | 62.10 | |
| Belanger, Henry or unknown, balance | | 4.25 | |
| Crosby, A. W. or unknown, balance | | 32.05 | |
| Call, Mrs. Ida M. or unknown | | 9.45 | |
| Carpenter, Arthur or unknown, balance | | 2.90 | |
| Dameren, M. F. or unknown | | 27.34 | |
| Farrar, Leslie A. or unknown | | 35.10 | |
| Horne, C. B. or unknown, balance | | 3.81 | ,- |
| Hodges, A. E. or unknown, balance | | 126.01 | |
| Lowe, heirs of H. M. or unknown | | 62.10 | |
| Morin, Est. Peter or unknown | | 40.50 | |
| Taylor, Horace or unknown | | 32.20 | |
| 24,702, 220200 02 0444410 1/12 | | \$ | 515.96 |
| | | , , | 010.00 |
| RETURNED POLLS 1917 | | | • |
| Allen, John | \$ | 2.50 | |
| Anderson, Arthur W | r | 2.50 | |
| and the state of t | | | |

| Allen, John | \$ | 2.50 |
|--------------------|----|------|
| Anderson, Arthur W | | 2.50 |
| Adams, Arthur | | 2.50 |
| Abraham, George E. | 1 | 2.50 |
| Crossman, Morrill | | 2.50 |
| Cole, George H. | | 2.50 |
| Carter, Henry | | 2.50 |
| Chapman, Walter | | 2.50 |

| Crawford, Howard | | $\overline{2}.50$ |
|-------------------|-----|-------------------|
| Daggett, James | | 2.50 |
| Davidson, Henry | | 2.50 |
| Foss, John | | 2.50 |
| Ford, John | | 2.50 |
| Fenlenson, Donald | | 2.50 |
| Horne, George B. | | 2.50 |
| Haskell, Steve | | 2.50 |
| Hood, Alex | | 2.50 |
| Knight, S. C. | | 2.50 |
| Greene, Mark | 1 | 2.50 |
| Langdell, Rex | | 2.50 |
| Murray, George | | 2.50 |
| Murphy, Mike | | 2.50 |
| Milliken, Perley | | 2.50 |
| Moshier, James | | 2.50 |
| Metcalf, Clinton | | 2.50 |
| Neincka, Aug. | | 2.50 |
| Pyne, Harrison | | 2.50 |
| Penney, Charles | | 2.50 |
| Probie, Frank | | 2.50 |
| Stevens, Fred B. | | 2.50 |
| Sabin, Mike | | 2.50 |
| Saluck, Tim | | 2.50 |
| Thorne, C. H. | | 2.50 |
| Thornton, Claude | | 2.50 |
| Tilton, Howard | | 2.50 |
| Warren, Edgar | | 2.50 |
| Washuk, Stanley |) | 2.50 |
| Bruno, William | , 0 | 2.50 |
| | _ | \$ |

95.00

Lawrence Library

Report of W. A. Archer, Treasurer Lawrence Library:

| 1917 | Dr. | | | |
|----------|------------------------------|------|---------|----------|
| Feb. 10 | To balance on hand | \$ | 31.36 | |
| | Received from Town | 1 | ,000.00 | |
| | Received from State | | 100.00 | |
| | Received from Librarian | | 50.00 | |
| | Received from Membership | dues | 7.50 | |
| | Received from sale of books, | etc. | 11.27 | |
| | | | \$ | 1,200.13 |
| PAID FOR | Cr. | | | |
| Books | | | 218.43 | |
| Magaz | ines | | 73.00 | |
| Librar | ian's salary | | 233.10 | |
| Assista | ant Librarian's salary | | 93.75 | |
| Janito: | r's salary | | 87.50 | |
| Secreta | ary and Treasurer's salary | | 10.00 | |
| Coal | | | 260.67 | |
| Lights | | | 38.23 | |
| Bindin | g | | 43.20 | |
| Insura | nce | | 23.00 | |
| Suppli | es, etc. | | 34.75 | |
| Balance | on hand | | 74.50 | |
| | | | \$ | 1,200.13 |

Treasurer's Report

W. W. Merrill, in account with Town of Fairfield:

| | , |
|---------|--|
| 1917 | Dr. |
| To Cash | |
| Feb. 19 | On hand \$ 3,691.02 |
| | To pay outstanding orders 506.50 |
| 24 | V. R. Connor (sewer) Dyer's |
| - | Gulley 25.00 |
| 26 | State Treas., pensions 1916 108.00 |
| Mar. 3 | F. S. Woodman, sidewalk 12.00 |
| 3 | Town of Rome 16.50 |
| 3 | Town farm account 55.06 |
| 16 | D. L. Gilman, tax 1915 10.00 |
| 23 | W. O. Hersey, on acct. 1916 126.56 |
| 24 | Town of Benton, tuition 88.00 |
| 27 | Town farm account 41.70 |
| 29 | State Treas., support of poor 147.06 |
| 31 | Fairfield Savings Bank, loan 1,000.00 |
| April 2 | F. E. Hammond, error in payroll 7.50 |
| . 2 | Town of Otis 4.00 |
| ~ 7 | F. E. Hammond, loan 200.00 |
| 9 | Fairfield Savings Bank, loan 2,000.00 |
| 17 | D. L. Gilman, tax 1916 14.77 |
| 25 | W. A. Hill 8.58 |
| 27 | Fairfield Savings Bank, loan 2,000.00 |
| 27 | W. A. Hill 11.00 |
| 28 | Town farm account 81.38 |
| May 1 | W. J. Bradbury, 1916 collection 150.00 |
| 1 | Stephen Savage, license 10.00 |
| 9 | Fairfield Savings Bank, loan 2,000.00 |
| 19 | Fairfield Savings Bank, loan 2,000.00 |
| June 5 | Town Clerk, dog licenses 35.00 |
| | |

| | 0 | | 00.05 |
|------|----|---------------------------------|----------|
| | 6 | Town of Caribou, by Dr. Shaw | 26.87 |
| | 8 | Forest Allen, license | 10.00 |
| | 9 | | 6.00 |
| | 13 | Town of Caribou, by A. H. | |
| | | Lawrence | 13.63 |
| | 16 | Town Clerk, dog licenses | 72.00 |
| | 16 | Town farm account | 55.74 |
| | 25 | Town farm account | 58.66 |
| | 30 | Town Clerk, dog licenses | 22.00 |
| | 30 | State Treas. support of poor | 25.00 |
| July | 9 | Fairfield Savings Bank, loan | 2,000.00 |
| | 9 | W. A. Hill | 10.00 |
| | 13 | W. A. Hill, poor account | 42.50 |
| | 30 | State Treas., support of poor | 146.57 |
| Aug. | 1 | W. O. Hersey, Supt. | 32.77 |
| | 2 | Town farm account | 63.71 |
| | 10 | F. E. Hammond | .70 |
| Sept | 1 | State Treas., Free Pub. Library | 100.00 |
| | 4 | Town farm account | 55.00 |
| | 4 | Town Clerk, dog licenses | 7.00 |
| | 10 | Town of Benton, tuition | 873.00 |
| | 19 | | 2.00 |
| | 27 | Town of Greenville | 625.97 |
| Oct. | 1 | | 27.12 |
| | 13 | W. M. Teague, Supt. | 3.70 |
| Nov. | 7 | | 3.60 |
| 2.0 | 20 | Town farm account | 16.10 |
| Dec. | 1 | State Treas., dog licenses re- | |
| Dec. | - | funded | 64.05 |
| | 1 | State Treas., school and mill | 0 2.00 |
| | _ | | 1,544.63 |
| | 1 | State Treas., common school | 1,011.00 |
| | - | | 3,920.14 |
| | 1 | R. R. and Tel. | 483.75 |
| | 5 | Town farm account | 17.63 |
| | 10 | W. M. Teague, Supt. | 4.00 |
| | 19 | State Treas., Free High Sch. | 500.00 |
| | 10 | Deate Heas., Fice High Dell. | 900.00 |

| | 26 | Town Clerk, dog license | 1.00 |
|------|----|--------------------------------|----------|
| 1918 | | | |
| Jan. | 2 | State Treas., Ind. Education | 1,233.33 |
| | 2 | State Treas., pensions | 366.00 |
| | 2 | State Treas., support of poor | 111.50 |
| | 3 | Town farm account | 31.24 |
| | 10 | S. A. Nye, sewer | 3.00 |
| | 16 | W. M. Teague, Supt. | 21.00 |
| | 24 | W. M. Teague, Supt. | 40.00 |
| | 24 | State Treas, damage to sheep | 434.00 |
| | 30 | Mrs. Parlin, for wood | 5.00 |
| | 30 | F. H. Carter, wood | 8.00 |
| Feb. | 1 | Town farm account | 49.08 |
| | 4 | Town of Greenville | 112.00 |
| | 7 | B. H. Lawrence, lumber sold | 3.50 |
| | 7 | B. H. Lawrence, wood sold | 10.00 |
| | 9 | Town Clerk, dog license | 1.00 |
| | 11 | W. M. Teague, Supt. | 3.00 |
| | 11 | W. A. Hill, wood sold | 10.00 |
| | 11 | B. H. Lawrence, wood sold | 20.00 |
| | 11 | B. H. Lawrence, refunded | |
| | | expense Paul Gifford | 11.00 |
| | 11 | B. H. Lawrence, refunded ex- | • |
| | | pense Melvin Heath | 50.16 |
| | 12 | B. H. Lawrence, refunded in | |
| | | payroll | 6.10 |
| | 12 | B. H. Lawrence, wood sold | 5.00 |
| | 12 | B. H. Lawrence, wood sold | 1.50 |
| | 13 | Loan of Natl Bank of Fairfield | 831.31 |
| | 14 | Sale of supplies from Town | |
| | | Farm | 33.64 |
| | 14 | Sale of stock from Town Farm | 85.00 |
| | 14 | State Treas. Charities and | |
| | | Corrections | 86.25 |
| | 14 | State Treas., support of poor | 218.00 |
| | 14 | State Treas., improvement of | |
| | | State road | 590.84 |

| | 14 19 | Refunded errors on orders | 1.95 | |
|------|----------|---|-----------|----------|
| | 19 | Lewis Dunbar fund, support poor | 192.90 | |
| | 19 | Trust funds to pay for care | 102.00 | |
| | · | of cemetery lots | 11.50 | |
| | 20 | Reed Plantation | 1.00 | |
| | 20 | Refunded by E. and Geo. | | |
| 1 | 20 | Dillingham | 4.50 | |
| | 20 | Refunded from Emery Hill Cemetery Trust Fund | 14.30 | |
| | 20 | - | 55,743.93 | |
| | 20 | w. s. Bradbury, concettor | | 8,535.00 |
| | | Cr. | | -, |
| Ву С | ASH | PAID | | |
| | | State pensions | 18.00 | |
| | | State pensions | 48.00 | |
| | 21 | State pensions | 18.00 | |
| | 22 | State pensions | 6.00 | |
| | 25 | State pensions | 12.00 | |
| July | 2 | 2 bonds, Nos. 49-50, due July, 1917 | 1,000.00 | |
| | 2 | Coupons due July 1, 1917, new issue | 340.00 | |
| | 2 | Coupons due July 1, 1917, old | 940.00 | |
| | _ | issue | 20.00 | |
| | 3 | Coupons due July 1, 1917, old | | |
| | | issue | 10.00 | |
| | 3 | 2 bonds Nos. 51-52 due July 1, | | |
| | | 1917 | 1,000.00 | |
| | 5 | Coupons due July 1, 1917, old issue | 20.00 | |
| | 9 | Coupons due July 1, 1917, old | 20.00 | |
| | J | issue | 20.00 | |
| | 10 | Coupons due July 1, 1917, old | | |
| | | issue | 40.00 | |
| | 10 | Coupons due July 1, 1917, new | 20.05 | |
| | | issue | 20.00 | |

26

20.00

Coupons due July 1, 1917, new

issue

| | | issue | 20.00 |
|-------|----|--------------------------------|-------------|
| | 26 | Coupons due July 1, 1917, old | |
| | | issue | 10.00 |
| | 26 | State pensions, 2nd quarter | 102.00 |
| Sept. | 7 | Free Public Library | 100.00 |
| | 7 | Coupons due July 1, 1917, new | |
| | | issue | 120.00 |
| | 7 | State for dogs | 136.00 |
| Oct. | 1 | ½ County tax, 1917 | 1,396.99 |
| | 1 | State pensions, 3rd quarter | 90.00 |
| | 24 | Interest on overdraft | 1.00 |
| Nov. | 27 | State Highway Commission | 956.10 |
| | 30 | Balance County tax, 1917 | 1,369.99 |
| Dec. | 1. | State tax, 1917 | 12,522.41 |
| | 11 | State pensions, 4th quarter | 72.00 |
| | 17 | Fairfield Sav. Bank, loan | 4,000.00 |
| | 20 | Fairfield Sav. Bank, loan | 5,000.00 |
| | 22 | Fairfield Sav. Bank, loan | 2,000.00 |
| Jan. | 5 | Coupons due Jan. 1, 1918, new | |
| | | issue | 380.00 |
| | 7 | Coupons due Jan. 1, 1918, old | _ > |
| | | issue | 20.00 |
| | 8 | Coupons due Jan. 1, 1918, old | |
| | | issue | 40.00 |
| | 10 | Coupons due Jan. 1, 1918, old | |
| | | issue | 10.00 |
| | 12 | Coupons due Jan. 1, 1918, new | |
| | | issue | 120.00 |
| Feb. | 7 | State aid | 18.00 |
| | 20 | 1 coupon due Jan. 1, 1918, old | |
| | | issue | 10.00 |
| | 20 | • | 56,265.92 |
| | 20 | To pay outstanding orders | 737.22 |
| | 20 | Cash on hand | 438.37 |
| | | | \$88,535.00 |
| | | | |
| | | | |

TRUST FUNDS

| 1911 July 1 Emery Hill Cemetery Fund \$1,000.00 Interest accrued and unexpended Feb. 19, 1917 159.58 1,159.58 1,159.58 100.00 100.00 100.00 | The N | ational Bank of Fairfield, Depos | itory. |
|---|---------|---------------------------------------|------------|
| Interest accrued and unexpended Feb. 19, 1917 159.58 ——————————————————————————————————— | | , · · · | * |
| pended Feb. 19, 1917 | July 1 | | \$1,000.00 |
| Fund 100.00 Interest accrued and unexpended, Feb. 19, 1918 8.42 1912 Feb. 2 The Geo. H. & Stephen Pishon Cemetery Lots Fund 200.00 Interest accrued and unexpended, Feb. 19, 1918 16.84 Oct. 12 The Chas. A. Wheeler Cemetery Lot Fund 100.00 Interest accrued and unexpended Feb. 19, 1918 8.64 1915 Oct. 18 The H. C. Butterfield Cemetery Lot Fund 100.00 Interest accrued and unexpended Feb. 19, 1918 3.24 The Fairfield Savings Bank Depository. 1914 July 11 The Eugene Fowler Fund \$475.00 Interest accrued and unexpended, Feb. 19, 1918 65.23 | | | |
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| | • | pended, Feb. 19, 1918 | 000 |

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Mar. 25 The Lewis Dunbar Fund \$4,775.00 \$4,775.00 Interest expended

Fairfield, Maine, Feb. 26, 1918.

This is to certify that I have examined the accounts of the Selectmen and Treasurer for the year ending Feb. 10, 1917, and find proper vouchers for the same in full.

A. H. TOTMAN, Auditor...

School Department

SCHOOL OFFICIALS

Abbie J. Ladd, Chairman, term expires March, 1918. Charles A. Lawry, term expires March, 1919. Walter P. Hinckley, term expires March, 1920. William M. Teague, Secretary and Superintendent of Schools.

TRUANT OFFICERS

Fred O. Savage, Frank Whitten.

The regular meeting of the School Committee is held on the first Friday of each month at 1.30 P. M. All outstanding bills should be submitted on or before each meeting that they may receive the approval of the Committee.

The office hours of the Superintendent will be from 2 to 4 P. M. every Friday during such time as schools are in session.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

Spring term begins April 1, 1918, closes June 6, 1918. Fall term begins September 16, 1918, closes December 20, 1918.

Winter term begins January 6, 1919, closes March 28, 1919.

Because of unsettled conditions and scarcity of fuel, the above schedule is subject to change.

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

Patriot's Day, April nineteen—Memorial Day, May thirty—Thanksgiving Day and Arbor Day as appointed by the Governor and Council—Washington's Birthday, February twenty-two.

All accounts of the School Department are kept at the office of the Superintendent and are open to inspection at any time.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the Superintendending School Committee and Citizens of Fairfield:—

In accordance with Chapter 15, section 59 of the Public School Laws of Maine, I herewith respectfully submit the annual report of the schools of Fairfield.

It is with considerable hesitancy that I submit this report, since my direct knowledge of your school system is confined to approximately one-half year's work. Consequently such judgment as I have already formed is more or less limited. My first impressions, however, are most favorable and my conclusions are that the schools of Fairfield will equal in efficiency any other school system operating under similar conditions. I find, also, that the sentiment of the community is progressive in its attitude towards the educational welfare of its youth. There is evidence on every hand that your

former Superintendent and the School Committee have been doing constructive work.

I feel that it is fitting, just at this time, to emphasize the importance of keeping the schools up to the highest standard possible, because the boys and girls of today must receive such training as will qualify them to meet successfully the larger responsibilities of tomorrow. These responsibilities will be intensified by the rapidly changing world affairs and after war conditions. It is certain that the future standing of our nation as a world power will depend largely upon the boys and girls now in school, and that they will be compelled to face a future fraught with momentous issues. Therefore the schools of our nation have a signal mission to perform; and to make their success assured, they must receive the whole hearted support of the people, and must, if possible, be kept open.

TEACHING FORCE

It is very essential for any school system to have an organization composed of efficient teachers. Desired results cannot be attained unless they are thoroughly qualified for their profession by training and experience, and at the same time manifest a willingness to coöperate in all legitimate attempts for improvement in school work.

I feel confident that the teachers have endeavored to fulfill their obligations, and have succeeded with a very commendable degree of success. They have aimed to perform their duties to the best interests of the scholars; and, where an attempt has been made to introduce changes or make necessary improvements, they have manifested a spirit of coöperation that is very gratifying.

I wish to call attention to the fact that the supply of teachers is rapidly decreasing, and that shortage will undoubtedly have a direct bearing upon the wage question in the near future. There are at least two reasons for this shortage: one is the increasing number of occupations offering larger inducements; the other is the government's need

of young men for war purposes. In order to meet this emergency, it will be necessary for school officials to materially increase wages all along the line.

EDUCATIONAL POLICY

Your former Superintentdent, W. O. Hersey, had under consideration the adoption of an eight grade system. Special attention has been given to several phases of grade work in order that this plan may ultimately result in the elimination of the ninth grade.

An intensive study of English, with the emphasis placed on oral and written composition, has been given to the grade pupils. Teachers' meetings have been held for the purpose of acquainting the teachers with a more intimate knowledge of the best method of teaching this subject. Each teacher in the grammar schools is giving special study to some one subject in the curriculum with the idea of raising the standard of each grade, and to eliminate any material which is considered non-essential.

An exmination for admittance to the high school was given to the ninth grade at the beginning of the fall term. Five pupils were found to be qualified. Four entered the high school and have done excellent work; the fifth was thoroughly fitted but preferred to remain in the ninth grade for another year. The results of this experiment indicate that there are pupils in the schools who ought to be promoted in order that they may be saved from marking time at any stage of their course.

It is hoped that the greater number of retarded pupils may be confined to the three lower grades, since it is at this period in school life that retardation has the least discouraging effect. It is also posible to lay a more solid foundation for advanced work in the upper classes if pupils are retained in the lower grades until they are well prepared. Each pupil will be promoted or retarded on the basis of his capacity for the work, and the decision in all cases will be determined by

a pupil's age, rank and the teacher's judgment concerning his capacity.

ATTENDANCE

That the eight grade system may be worked out successfully, it is absolutely essential that the attendance should be regular, and that the loss of time be reduced to a minimum. In every community there is a tendency on the part of some parents to underestimate the necessity of daily attendance. It should be realized that a day lost cannot be wholly made up and that its influence is not only derogatory to the individual but to the whole school.

EYE AND EAR TESTS AND SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

Eye and ear tests were given in all the schools. While these tests are not wholly reliable, yet they furnish a means of ascertaining the possibility of defective vision or hearing. Much good has resulted from these tests and parents are urged to give careful attention to the notice sent them.

It would be a profitable investment if a regular school physician were employed. Many cases of retardation are due to some physical defect, which could be easily remedied if it received prompt attention of a physician. Moreover, the loss of time resulting from the effects of contagious diseases would be greatly reduced

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

I believe it is due the tax payers in every community to have placed before them a general statement relating to the expenditures of school funds and also the financial needs of the system. It is exceedingly difficult, however, with the present state of public affairs, to give an accurate or even an approximate estimate of what it will cost to maintain the schools for the ensuing year.

Since there has been an advance in almost all items, essen-

tial to school work, it is certain that the expense of maintaining the present standard cannot be reduced without a corresponding loss in efficiency. If on the other hand the same standard is to prevail as now exists, it will be necessary to increase the funds in several departments.

Taking the present schedule of wages for teaching, janitor work and conveyance as a basis for next year's expenditures, the present appropriation will not be sufficient to maintain a school year of thirty-six weeks without a deficit. It will therefore require at least \$500 in addition to what is now raised.

The price of fuel at the present time is very uncertain. The amount purchased for next year's supply for common schools not including the North Grammar Building, will cost not less than \$750. In all probability the expense of heating the North Grammar Building will equal or exceed that purchased for the South Grammar Building which was \$424. The estimated cost then for heating all common schools will be at least \$1200.

The total funds devoted to high school purposes have exceeded the requirements for this year. This is due largely to the increase in the number of tuition paying students. However, this income from tuition is more or less variable.

The following statistics have been inserted in this report in order that a comparison may be made between the cost of maintaining the school department of Fairfield and those of several other towns nearly equal in population and with similar school conditions:—

COMMON SCHOOL PURPOSES

| Town | Amt. raised per scholar | Amt. available per scholar | Percentage of valuation |
|----------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Camden | \$2,36 | \$11.17 | .0006 |
| Caribou | 4.54 | 10.61 | .0029 |
| Fairfield, | 2.81 | 8.98 | .0019 |
| Fort Fairfield | | 14.97 | .0039 |
| Farmington | 4.49 | 12.26 | .0016 |

| Lisbon | 4.34 | 11.69 | .0017 |
|--------------|------|-------|-------|
| Madison | 4.76 | 11.73 | .0023 |
| Orono | 3.12 | 10.95 | .0021 |
| Presque Isle | 4.70 | 11.95 | .003 |

HIGH SCHOOL PURPOSES

| Town | Amt appropriated by town | Amt. expended for instruction | Total expenditures |
|----------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Camden | \$4,000 | \$3,900 | \$4,463 |
| Caribou | 5,000 | 5,754 | 6,686 |
| Fairfield | 3,800 | 4,053 | 5,801 |
| Fort Fairfield | 6,000 | 5,531 | 5,454 |
| Farmington | 4,500 | 5,408 | 5,870 |
| Lisbon | 4,000 | 4,453 | 4,836 |
| Madison | 2,500 | 3,908 | 4,548 |
| Orono | 4,700 | 4,245 | 5,430 |
| Presque Isle | 6,500 | 7,265 | 8,415 |

SCHOOL PROPERTY

After a careful inspection of all school property, I find that, as a whole it is in good condition. In any school system, however, there are always opportunities for improvements; and to make these effective, both in outlay and results obtained, it is advantageous to follow a definite policy of several years duration.

Almost all the school rooms are now provided with hard wood floors and several outbuildings have been constructed recently. While these out buildings are more or less sanitary, I believe that this condition would be more satisfactory if they were connected with the school houses and entered only through the school rooms. They would then be under a more direct supervision of the teacher and would also be more convenient in cold weather, especially for the small children.

In planning to remodel the rural schools to conform to the standard outlined by the State Department, I would advise that attention be given to improvement in the present means of heating and ventilation.

There is a type of jacketed stove which is giving excellent results. This system consists of an ordinary box stove surrounded by a galvanized iron jacket and connected with the out doors by a fresh air intake. The fresh air coming in through this intake passes up between the jacket and the stove and is circulated about the room. The foul air it taken care of by an outlet placed in the chimney just above the floor line. By this method an even temperature is obtained and at the same time the difficulty usually attending ventilation is provided for. Since all the rural schools now have suitable box stoves, the expense, which would be necessary to conform to the above plan, ought not to exceed \$30 for each school. One or more school rooms should be provided each year with a jacketed stove.

At some time in the near future, the same plan of heating as used at the Center School should be installed at Shawmut. The furnace now in use is worn out, and the installation of a new heating plant would save enough in the cost of fuel at present prices to pay for itself in a short time.

I would recommend that one or more school buildings be painted each year.

The cost of making the above repairs should not exceed the amount usually devoted to this purpose.

FAIRFIELD AND BENTON SCHOOL UNION

At the last Legislature a law was passed making it compulsory for every town to become a part of some school union. As a result of this law, the present district comprising Fairfield and Oakland will be dissolved and beginning July 1, 1918, Fairfield will be united with Benton.

In addition to the high school report, I wish to state briefly my observation of the work done in this department. The citizens of Fairfield are exceedingly fortunate in having one of the finest high school buildings in the state. It is well equipped with facilities for doing the very best kind of work, and the influence of such an environment is leaving an indelible impression upon every student. Under the efficient direction of the Principal, Mr. Partridge, the school is making excellent progress, the assistants are all giving their best, and a wholesome spirit of coöperation prevails. I believe that the results obtained in the high school more than compensate for its cost to the community.

In closing this report, I wish to express my appreciation to the citizens of Fairfield for their cordial attitude, and to thank the members of the School Committee for their invaluable assistance in acquainting me with the conditions relating to this school system.

Respectfully submitted,

W. M. TEAGUE, Superintendent.

REPORT OF THE PRINCIPAL OF LAWRENCE HIGH SCHOOL

To Mr. W. M. Teague, Superintendent of Schools, Fairfield, Maine:

I herewith submit to you, and through you, to the citizens of Fairfield a report of the work that has been done in Lawrence High School during he year ending December 31, 1917.

The enrollment of students for the year has been as follows:

| Winter termBoys 54 | Girls 66 | Average 112 |
|--------------------|----------|-------------|
| Spring termBoys 49 | Girls 62 | Average 103 |
| Fall termBoys 57 | Girls 72 | Average 119 |

By continually reminding the students of the desirability of forming the habit of being punctual we have reduced the number of instances of tardiness to a minimum and this, to my mind, is as essential as regularity in attendance in the development of good citizenship which is the fundamental aim in education.

We are offering courses in about the same subjects as in former years, but we are giving more attention to the manner in which this work is presented. Personally I believe that supervised study should replace at least a part of the time previously given to recitation. By supervised study I mean supervision of pupils who are studying silently at their desks in order that the teacher may know if her assignments have been clearly made, and whether the student understands how to do the work so as to get the best results with the least possible waste of time. I realize, however, that this is a departure from the old idea of teaching and that it will require a special technique on the part of the teacher; there-

fore we are beginning gradually; that is, each teacher has been asked to use this method in at least one course, to keep all data in regard to the progress made, and to report at the end of the year her observations concerning this method of procedure. I already have at hand the data in regard to the spelling class, and I find that by supervised study we have increased the number of students getting a rank of over 90% from 15% to 45%; and to decrease the number of failures from 15% to 6%. Before the end of the year I firmly believe we shall have eliminated entirely the failures. This is a very meager statement of what is meant by supervised study but I feel that I must not take the space to go into greater detail.

On Wednesday evening, June 13, occurred the Junior Reading. There were eleven speakers. Four prizes, the gift of citizens of the town, were awarded; two, of three dollars each; and two, of two dollars each.

The final exercises of the school year were of a patriotic nature, and were held on Thursday evening, June 14. During the evening the graduating class presented to the school a bust of Longfellow. At the close of the exercises, Mr. Hersey presented the school diplomas to twenty-one members of the class. Nine of these persons are now studying in higher institutions of learning.

Last spring the baseball team won the championship of the Kennebec Valley League. In consequence of this we now hold the baseball cup which is the gift of the Kennebec Valley athletic association. Owing to the many demands that have been made upon the school this year because of the war conditions of the world we have done very little in athletics. We hope, however, to be represented in baseball this spring, and as usual to render a good account of ourselves.

During last summer Mr. H. C. Robinson, submaster, resigned to engage in military service; and Miss Jeannette Sturtevant, teacher of English and History resigned to accept a similar position in Massachusetts. Miss Ruth Parker

of North Windham and Miss Cora Patterson of Winslow were secured for these respective positions.

Regular teachers' meetings are held every two weeks for the purpose of making a study of methods in teaching. During this year this study has been based upon Parker's High School Methods.

While the drive for the Second Liberty Loan was in progress, several students assisted in the work by selling bonds. As a result they sold 105 bonds amounting to \$13,500. The number of bonds sold ranged from two to thirty-one per student engaged in the campaign.

At present we are encouraging the students to make investments in thrift stamps and war savings stamps in order that whatever money they may have which is not needed may be used to help win the war, and also that the boys and girls may acquire the habit of saving and thrift. Sixty-five have already become investors. They have purchased 844 thrift stamps, 35 W. S. S. representing \$211. This money draws interest at the rate of 4% and is an absolutely safe investment.

The one matter which I should like to have the citizens of Fairfield take under consideration is the desirability of having a physical instructor for the schools in order that all students may have proper physical training. I believe that it is even more necessary to look after the physical welfare of the young people of a community than it is to care for their mental training. I am convinced that this can be brought about with only a small expenditure of money, and that we should receive big returns for the money invested in the form of strong, healthy boys and girls.

In closing I wish to state that whatever of success has been attained in Lawrence High School during the past year has been due to the friendly coöperation of the teachers, and to the support of the superintendent and school board in all matters pertaining to the welfare of the school.

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. PARTRIDGE, Principal.

REPORT OF TEACHER OF MANUAL TRAINING

To the Superintendent of Schools, Town of Fairfield:

I hereby submit my report of the Department of Manual Training.

This is the sixth year of this department and the increase in the number of pupils taking the course has been some thirty. There are now sixteen pupils from Town of Benton from whom we receive four dollars a head and this helps to keep down our expenses. Also the boys are buying from their own pockets a great many extras, such as hinges, etc., which helps to keep down cost of supplies.

During the last four weeks the department has been working entirely on odds and ends of materials and putting them to good use and they are to be entirely used up before new order is received. By careful planning the department has been no more expensive than last year which means a lot owing to the increase in cost of material during the past year.

The number of grade pupils taking the course is practically the same but in High school the number of pupils electing the course has increased fifty percent. This is due to the fact that over thirty girls have elected the course and are doing excellent work. One class of advanced girls is doing especially good work, turning out some very useful articles such as reading lamp, woven top stove and sewing screen. The interest in High school as a whole is very pleasing and the results, while not as large, on account of cost of material this year, are equally good.

There is one thing which is not as satisfactory as might be. The length of periods is not enough to accomplish the amount of work desired. Grades receive, on an average one hour and three-quarters while High school only forty minutes. This could easily be remedied by the purchase of two or three more benches with equipment which would mean accommodating more pupils at a time and in that way giving them more time.

This year has been rather hard owing of course to increased cost of material and our chief efforts have been to keep expenses down. However in a number of towns Manual Training Departments have been closed on account of lack of heat, or loss of teacher.

It is a great encouragement to the boys for parents or friends to visit the classes and see them at work and offer suggestions. Some of our best ideas have been from visitors.

Hoping the work has been as satisfactory to you and the parents as it has been to me, I remain

Yours sincerely

WARREN S. SWETT.

REPORT OF TEACHER OF HOME ECONOMICS

Mr. Teague, Supt. of Schools of Fairfield, Maine:

I herewith present to you a report of the work done in the sixth, seventh, eighth, and ninth grades, and in Lawrence High school for the year ending February 10, 1918.

The number of pupils registered in the department for the year ending February 10th was as follows: from the North and South Grammar Schools, 71; Fairfield Centre, 3; Shawmut, 10; Benton Proper, 3; Benton Falls, 12; Lawrence High School, 22—making a total of 121.

Through constant use for five years the equipment for cooking had deteriorated and the town appropriated fifty dollars for completing the cooking equipment to accommodate a class of twelve girls. At the present time the kitchen is well equipped in both cooking and sewing to meet with the needs for the number of pupils at the present time.

The High school girls are allowed two points in sewing and two points in cooking, and there are twenty-two girls who have elected this work. The cooking class consists of nine girls and as many of the girls are taking cooking for the first time they are taking the same outline as is given to the ninth grade. The sewing for the High school girls is the same outline as is required in the eighth grade, for like cooking most of the girls are doing first year's work.

The Household Art Course in the High school consists of five girls and the first semester we took up the study of textiles, their manufacture, cost, and the use to which they are put. This included a study of all wool, cotton, linen, and silk goods. The spring semester we study house construction which includes house plans, heating, lighting, plumbing, ventilation, and the furnishings and interior decorations. Each girl is allowed the privilege of choosing her own home,

deciding upon a certain income and must furnish her home according to her own standards of living. The girls seem very much interested in their work and by each girl working out her own individual problems many interesting results are obtained.

The schedule for grade work is as follows: sewing is given in the sixth and eighth grades; cooking in the seventh and ninth grades. This year cooking and sewing for the first time has been made compulsory in the different grades. Hereafter every girl who enters High school will have had two years of cooking and two years of sewing. The cooking course in High school will then take up the planning of meals, estimating cost of meals, and a deeper study of the food principles. Hereafter in High school sewing the girls should take the drafting of patterns, advanced handwork, and millinery.

The sixth grade outline in sewing is as follows—teaching of plain stitches as hemming, running stitch, overhanding, over casting, etc.; the making of the uniform for seventh grade cooking as cap, apron, and holders; a sewing apron; and in the spring I intend to have each girl make a simple muslin dress. In the beginning of the second semester we have taken up the study of the machine stitching.

The eighth girls at the end of the year are supposed to have made a complete set of undergarments, using the machine; and a muslin dress or middy suit. In ranking sewing every problem has to be passed in well pressed, and neatly folded. Allowances are made for those girls that have had no knowledge along this art.

Cooking is taught for the first time in the seventh grade. I take up the theoretical as well as the practical side. By the word theoretical I mean the discussion of the value of foods in the diet, the economical method of cooking all foods, the "Conservation of Food", and that includes the substitutes for different ingredients as the use of molasses in place of sugar, use of corn, rye, oatmeal, etc., in place of wheat; and the using of fats in place of butter.

The outline for the cooking is to divide foods in the three great classes, namely; proteid, carbohydrates, and fats. the fall, owing to the season of the year, we canned, preserved, and pickled—each class having one or two lessons under each. The preserves and pickles are now on sale at the domestic science room. Four dollars were realized from the jelly making lessons. Following these lessons we began with the carbohydrate which mean those foods rich in the starches and sugar. We have cooked vegetables, cereals as wheat, rice, corn meal, oatmeal, etc.; and devoted one week to the subject of War Breads. The girls, however, made only the quick breads, for the study of bread making comes in the latter part of the year. We are now taking up the proteid foods which includes meat and the meat substitutes as fish, milk, poultry, eggs, and cheese. In the cooking of meats we have cooked the cheap meats as well as the more tender cuts, and although the meats are expensive their importance in the diet cannot be over estimated. In the spring term we are to continue with the study of fats, the cooking of pies, cakes, doughnuts, salads, and ices.

This outline is practically the same for all three years of cooking but the older girls are given the more difficult recipes, and the theoretical side is more strongly emphasized.

Examinations both in sewing and cooking are given once a term and the notebooks are corrected at the time of the examinations. The cooking girls at the end of the year will have neatly arranged notebooks and if they have carefully followed instructions should be able to do the plain simple cooking in their own home.

The girls are each allowed to make the individual recipes for I find the girls work with much greater enthusiasm. I have selected the cheaper recipes and try to arrange so that each lesson does not exceed fifty cents or about five cents for each girl on an average. Fifteen minutes of each cooking period is devoted to giving notes and recipes, ten minutes for eating what they have prepared, sixty minutes for actual

cooking and fifteen minutes for general cleaning up. Each girl has her own special work to do and the kitchen must always be left in the same immaculate condition as the girls find it when they begin work.

I find the girls for the most part enthusiastic and interested in their work, and up to the present time the work has been most satisfactory. We are always glad to receive visitors and I cordially invite the mothers to visit us this spring and see for themselves what the girls are doing in this work.

Following is a weekly program:

| | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WED. | THURS. | FRIDAY |
|-------------|---------|---------|---------|----------------|------------------------|
| 8.45-10.30 | Sewing | Sewing | Cooking | Cooking | Cooking |
| | Grade 6 | Grade 6 | Grade 9 | L. H. S. | Grade 7 |
| 10.30-12.00 | Sewing | Cooking | Cooking | Household Dec. | Cooking |
| | Grade 6 | Grade 7 | Grade 9 | L. H. S. | Grade 7 |
| 1.15- 3.00 | Sewing | Cooking | Sewing | Sewing | Care of Kitchen Equip. |
| | Grade 8 | Grade 7 | Grade 8 | L. H. S. | |

Sincerely yours,

EMMA S. PERRY.

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF MUSIC

To the Superintendent of Fairfield Schools, Mr. Teagues-

Since my last report the Special Teacher's visits to the rural schools have been discontinued although music is taught by the regular teacher in some sections. The work of the Director of Music is now limited to the village schools and those of Shawmut.

The course of study is so arranged that corresponding grades in all the buildings are doing practically the same work so a pupil changing from one school to another will at once fit into his grade.

In the fall of 1916 a piano was placed in the South Grammar Building, a Victrola in the North Grammar Building and also one in Shawmut. The funds were raised through the combined efforts of the teachers and pupils of the respective schools assisted by the Music Director. Entertainments were given and other devices were used to obtain this money so all are free from debt. Ten dollars donated by the Parent-Teacher Association, was our only gift.

In 1917, under the direction of the principal, Miss Coombs, assisted by the teachers and pupils, a Victrola was purchased for the South Grammar Building.

We are using the Weaver System in our music. As the course now stands we aim to accomplish the following work in each grade.

Grade I. Much ear training is given in the first part of the year. Our purpose is to eliminate all monotones and give each child power to reproduce what he hears. This is accomplished by imitations of familiar sounds, scale combinations and rote songs. In the latter part of the year sight reading is begun. At the end of the first year, a child should be able to sing the scale, descending and ascending, read simple phrases without words, and sing a number of rote songs.

Grades II and III continue sight reading and oral dictation; new step is 1st Time Motion (use of quarter, half, dotted half and whole notes), interval drill from Charts A and B, Harmonic Primer, Part I.

Grades IV, V, 2nd and 3rd Time Motions, 1st step chromatics, two part singing, Interval Drill from Chart C, Prime, Part II, and Harmonic First Reader.

Grades VI, VII, 4th and 5th Time Motions, 2nd step Chromatics, Theory, three-part music. Book, New Normal course. Book two.

Grades VIII, IX, Advance Theory work, chorus singing bass staff. Book, Laurel Music Reader.

Work in Music Appreciation is now given to Grades VI to IX inclusive. They study the forms of music, the lives of great artists and composers, their works being reproduced by Victrola Records.

In Lawrence High School we have one forty-minute period of chorus singing each week. We try to do the same work that is done in larger towns so we may be able to compete with them successfully. We have twice sent delegates to the Teachers' Music Festival in Portland and are a part of the Somerset County Festival Chorus. Study in Music Appreciation should be added to the high school curriculum of we are to keep pace with other high schools.

We are hampered in many ways. First. Two grades in a room are much harder to work successfully in music than in other studies. In other branches the grades are taught separately but in music (except Grades I and II) they are combined owing to lack of time of the grade teachers. The advanced class practically stands still while the new one catches up, therefore our problem is how to unite these grades to secure the greatest progress and not overburden the regular teacher.

Second. Many pupils come from schools where there is no music and they prove a drag upon a class.

Third. Changing competent teachers for those not familiar with music or music methods often ruins a class for an entire year. An indifferent or unmusical teacher will soon have a depressing effect upon the most enthusiastic school.

Fourth. We lack supplies. Our books are old, many leaves gone. Valuable time is lost changing pupils so two may use one book. Each year we try to raise the standard of our music course but it is well nigh impossible to do efficient work without suitable material. If we could have the proper equipment work could be advanced more rapidly. A new book, now and then, will accomplish wonders.

Much of the success in any special study is due to the untiring efforts of the grade teachers. Many thanks are due them for their coöperation and faithfulness in carrying out the wishes of the special teachers.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANCES F. CATE, Director of Music.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

COMMON SCHOOLS

| Appropriation | \$ | 4,500.00 | |
|---------------------------|----|--------------|----------|
| State school and mill tax | | 4,544.63 | |
| State common school fund | | 3,920.14 | |
| Tuition ' - | | 35.00 | |
| Fuel | | 1,100.00 | - |
| Other sources | ` | 43.00 | |
| Overdrawn | | 106.27 | |
| Overdrawn last year | | | \$ 45.70 |
| Teaching | | | 9,251.97 |
| Conveyance | | | 2,475.30 |
| Janitor | | | 1,090.00 |
| Fuel | | | 1,250.67 |
| Tuition | | | 42.40 |
| Board of pupil | | | 93.00 |
| | | | |
| | | 1 1 0 10 0 1 | 0-1000 |

\$14,249.04 \$14,249.04

HIGH SCHOOL

| Appropriation | \$ 3,800.00 | |
|---------------------|-------------|----------|
| Received from State | 500.00 | |
| Janitor | 600.00 | |
| Fuel · | 900.00 | |
| Tuition, Benton | 873.00 | 1. |
| Tuition | 36.12 | |
| Overdrawn last year | | \$ 75.72 |
| Teaching | | 4,053.98 |
| Janitor | | 600.00 |
| Fuel | | 1,147.57 |
| Balance on hand | | 831.85 |
| | | |

\$6,709.12 \$6,709.12

BOOKS, SUPPLIES, REPAIRS AND INCIDENTALS

| Appropriation Insurance Books and Supplies sold Dial Club | \$ 2,750.00 200.00 24.86 6.65 | |
|--|---|---|
| Overdrawn | 104.05 | |
| Overdrawn last year Books, Common Schools Books, High School Supplies, Common Schools Supplies, High School Repairs, Common Schools Repairs, High School Incidentals, Common Schools Incidentals, High Schools | | \$ 21.07 385.24 348.69 678.94 233.30 963.77 252.36 91.99 110.20 |
| | \$ 3,085.56 | \$3,085.56 |

INDUSTRIAL

| Appropriation | \$ 750.00 | |
|---------------------|------------|------------|
| Received from State | 1,233.33 | |
| Tuition | 88.00 | |
| Overdrawn | 23.41 | |
| Overdrawn last year | • | \$ 30.35 |
| Teaching | , | 1,823.56 |
| Supplies | | 240.83 |
| | \$2.094.74 | \$2,094.74 |

The following appropriations are recommended by the School Committee for the ensuing year:

| Common schools | \$5,000.00 |
|--------------------|------------|
| High school | 3,500.00 |
| Common school fuel | 1,200.00 |

| High school fuel High school janitor Books, supplies and repairs Insurance Industrial advection | 900.00 600.00 2,750.00 660.00 |
|---|--|
| Industrial education | 750.00 |

STATISTICAL TABLE—COMMON SCHOOLS

| Name of School | Term | , Name of Teacher | Wages per week | Where Educated | Terms | Pupils registered | Average | Cases of tardiness | Not absent 1-2 day |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------|--|-------------------------|------------------------------------|----------|---|---|--|--|
| North Grammar Grade 8-9 | Winter Spring Fall | Marguerite Price Marguerite Price Madeline Cates | 16.00 | Worcester Normal Farmington Normal | 18 37 | 49 | | | 9 13 13 |
| Grade 6-7 | Winter Spring Fall | Bertha Snell Bertha Snell Bertha Snell | 12.50 14.00 | Fairfield High | 61 | 28 27 35 | $ \begin{array}{r} 25 \\ 24 \\ 30 \end{array} $ | 45 | 9 3 8 |
| Grade 4-5 | Winter Spring Fall | Harriet Brophy Harriet Brophy Harriet Brophy | 12.00 14.00 | Fairfield High | 27 | 48 46 47 | $\begin{vmatrix} 40 \\ 37 \\ 40 \end{vmatrix}$ | _10 | 12 5 14 |
| Grade 2-3 | Winter Spring Fall | Clara Osborne Clara Osborne Clara Osborne | 14.00 | | 87 | 46 47 51 | $\begin{array}{c} 40 \\ 39 \\ -45 \end{array}$ | 18 | $\begin{array}{c c} 12 \\ 7 \\ 16 \end{array}$ |
| Grade 1 | Winter Spring Fall | Sarah Williams Sarah Williams Sarah Williams | 12.50 14.00 | Fairfield High | 31 | 39 41 38 | 34 26 29 | 20 | |
| South Grammar Grade 7-8 | Winter Spring Fall | Emma Coombs Emma Coombs Emma Coombs | 14.50 16.00 | Castine Normal | 40 | 41 40 33 | 34 | 45 | 3 |
| Grade 5-6 | Winter Spring Fall | Gertrude Waldron Gertrude Waldron Mearle Trask | 14,00 | Gorham Normal Lee Academy | 13 | 42 39 42 | 35 33 22 | 12 | 8 |
| Grade 3-4 | Winter Spring Fall | Alice Ladd Alice Ladd Alice Ladd | 12.00 14.00 | Lawrence High | 7 | 42 43 42 | 37 35 33 | 30 11 35 | 3 1 4 |
| Grade 1-2 | Winter Spring Fall | Lottie Burrill Lottie Burrill Lottie Burrill | 12.50 14.00 | Fairfield High | 67 | 46 48 62 | 39 | 17 1 4 | 3 1 8 |
| Shawmut Grammar | Winter Spring Fall | Susie McKechnie Susie McKechnie Susie McKechnie | 11.00 12.50 | Garland High | 9 | 26 22 19 | 23 19 17 | 14 7 17 | 3 |
| Shawmut Primary | Winter Spring Fall | Ellen Cunningham Ellen Cunningham Ellen Cunningham | 11.00 12.50 | Maine Central Inst. | 10 | 36 36 35 | 26 | | 6 6 6 |
| Center Grammar | Winter Spring Fall | Josephine Thorpe Josephine Thorpe Josephine Thorpe | 12.25 13.50 | Millinocket High | 10 | 21 23 30 | $ \begin{array}{c} 19 \\ 20 \\ 23 \end{array} $ | $\begin{array}{c c} 10 \\ 2 \\ 29 \end{array}$ | 2 3 3 |
| Center Primary | Winter Spring Fall | Gertrude Davis Marion Worthing Gertrude Davis | 12.00 12.00 12.50 | Albion High Waterville High | 12 | $ \begin{array}{r} 37 \\ 40 \\ 33 \end{array} $ | $\frac{30}{35}$ | $\begin{array}{c} 114 \\ 15 \\ 65 \end{array}$ | 2 4 2 |
| North Fairfield | Winter Spring Fall | Mattie Booker Mattie Booker Ruth Osborne | | Lee Normal Castine Normal | 13 | 28 28 31 | $ \begin{array}{c} 24 \\ 24 \\ 21 \end{array} $ | 29 21 50 | 2 |
| Hinckley | Winter Spring Fall | Leola Hall Leola Hall Leola Hall | 10.00 | Clinton High | 28 | 12 11 13 | 8 8 11 | 4 1 3 | 2 |
| Covel | Winter Spring Fall | Nora Goodwin Nora Goodwin Nora Goodwin | 10.00 | Business College | 42 | 8 9 17 | 6 7 1 3 | $\begin{array}{c} 5\\2\\129\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{c} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{array}$ |
| Larone | Winter Spring Fall | Amy Herron Amy Herron Marguerite Craig | | Waterville High Lawrence High | 3 1 | $\begin{array}{c} 7 \\ 7 \\ 12 \end{array}$ | 5 6 9 | 6 151 | |
| Martin Stream | Winter Spring Fall | Emma Wood Emma Wood Mary McCann | 9.50 | Lawrence High Bangor High | 7 1 | 10 12 15 | $7 \\ 10 \\ 12$ | 11 8 13 | · 4 2 |
| Nye's Corner | Winter Spring Fall | Nellie Booker Nellie Booker | | Good Will High | 3 | 13 9 | 11 8 | | 3 5 |
| Bates | Winter Spring Fall | Annie Sturtevant | 10.00 | Waterville High | 14 | 12 | 6 | 13 | 4 |

LAWRENCE HIGH SCHOOL

DIRECTORY OF TEACHERS

| SALARY | TRAINING TRAINING | SUBJECTS TAUGHT | Taugh |
|-----------------------------------|---|--|-------|
| 1,700 600 600 600 550 | John A. Partridge, Prin \$1,700.00 Colby College Jennie A. Emery Cora A. Patterson G00.00 Colby College Er Ruth L. Parker G00.00 Bates College Annie G. Merrill 550 00 Chandlar | S. Geom., P. Geom., Latin I, III, Ancient History. French, Eng. I, Eng. History, Botany. Eng. II, III, IV, Latin II. Stenocran, Chemistry, Gen. Science, Com'l Arith. Stenocranhy Rockeening Tymewriting Pen. Shelling | 88544 |

SPECIAL TEACHERS

| | Warren S. Swett Emma S. Perry | 1,200.00 | 1,200.00 Sloyd Training Manual Training. | Manual Training. Domestic Science. | | 26 |
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Town Warrant

STATE OF MAINE

County of Somerset ss.

To Henry D. Brophy a constable of the Town of Fairfield in said County:—

You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to warn the inhabitants of the town of Fairfield, aforesaid, qualified to vote in town affairs, to assemble at the Opera House in said town on the fourth day of March, nineteen hundred eighteen, at ten o'clock in the forenoon to act upon the following articles, to wit:

- Art. 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.
- Art. 2. To choose a clerk for the ensuing year.
- Art. 3. To choose selectmen, assessors and overseers of the poor, and all necessary town officer.
- Art. 4. To choose a member or members of the superintending school committee.
- Art. 5. To choose a fire warden for the town, as required by Chapter 108 of the Public Laws of 1913.
- Art. 6. To see what sum of money the town will raise for incidental expenses.

Recommended by appropriation committee, \$2,500.

Art. 7. To see what sum of money the town will raise for the support of poor.

Recommended by appropriation committee, \$3,500.

Art. 8. To see what sum the town will raise for the support of Common Schools; Free High School; for Books, Sup-

plies and Repairs; High School Janitor; Fuel for Common Schools; Fuel for High School; Industrial Education; and Insurance.

Recommended by appropriation committee, Common Schools, \$5,000; Free High School, \$3,500; for Books, Supplies and Repairs, \$2,750; High School Janitor, \$650; Fuel for Common Schools, \$1,200; Fuel for High School, \$900; Industrial Education, \$750; Insurance, \$660.

Art. 9. To see what sum of money the town will raise for its highways and bridges.

Recommended by appropriation committee, \$5,500.

Art. 10. To see what sum of money the town will raise for breaking snow.

Recommended by appropriation committee, \$3,000.

- Art. 11. To see what action the town will take in regard to the Two Thousand Dollar Bond that falls due July 1, 1918. Recommended by appropriation committee, \$2,000.
- Art. 12. To see what sum of money the town will raise to be paid for interest on its indebtedness.

Recommended by appropriation committee, \$1,500.

Art. 13. To see what sum the town will raise to be paid the selectmen as salary for the ensuing year.

Recommended by appropriation committee \$1,000, \$200 of this to be used for clerk for selectmen.

Art. 14. To see what sum of money the town will raise for the care of Monument Park; and to see if the town will vote to choose a committee of three to have the care and custody of the Park.

Recommended by appropriation committee, \$100.

Art. 15. To see what sum the town will raise for the support of a Free Public Library.

Recommended by appropriation committee, \$1,000.

Art. 16. To see if the town will appropriate the sum of \$831.31 the cost of installing a steam heating plant in the Lawrence Public Library.

- Art. 17. To see if the town will raise the sum of \$1,200 to reimburse the School Playground fund for money loaned to the town.
- Art. 18. To see what sum the town will raise for Memorial Day.

Recommended by appropriation committee, \$100.

- Art. 19. To see if the town will authorize the selectmen to hire money to pay current expenses in anticipation of taxes.
- Art. 20. To see what sum the town will raise for Highway Patrol.

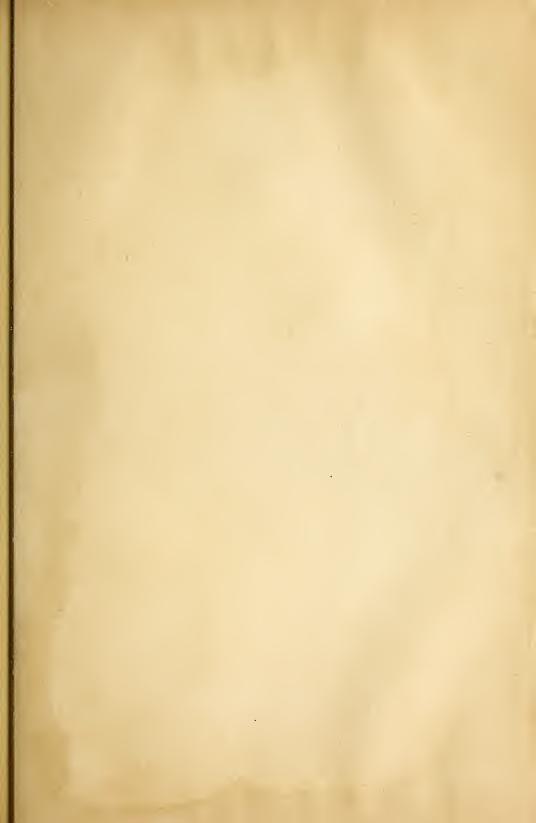
Recommended by appropriation committee, \$1,000.

Art. 21. To see what sum the town will raise for building and repair of sidewalks.

Recommended by appropriation committee, \$500.

- Art. 22. To see what sum the town will raise for a sidewalk on Water Street from Pleasant Street to Burrill Street, a distance of about 450 feet. Probable cost about \$300.
- Art. 23. To see if the town will vote to instruct the selectmen to sell at public auction or private sale any claims the town may have against any real estate acquired by tax deeds.
- Art. 24. To see if the town will vote to instruct the selectmen to divide the town into two voting precincts for future gubernatorial and presidential elections.
- Art. 25. To see if the town will vote to establish a municipal fuel yard in said town and raise money therefor; and, if so, how much.
- Art. 26. To see if the town will vote to erect a marker just above Fairfield Center where the first town meeting was held in August, 1788, and raise money for the same. Estimated cost \$200.
- Art. 27. To see if the town will vote to buy any modern road-building machinery and raise money therefor.







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SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS AND OVERSEER OF THE POOR
B. H. LAWRENCE W. A. HILL F. E. HAMMOND

SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE

C. A. LAWRY

W. P. HINCKLEY

ABBIE J. LADD

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

W. M. TEAGUE (Resigned)

H. E. BOWMAN

COLLECTOR

W. J. BRADBURY

TREASURER

W. W. MERRILL

TOWN CLERK

W. J. BRADBURY

DEPUTY CLERK

GRACE E. CLARK

AUDITOR

A. H. TOTMAN

Report of Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor

APPROPRIATIONS FOR 1918

| | 6 |
|-----------------------------|-------------|
| Incidental Expenses | \$ 2,500.00 |
| Support of Poor | 3,500.00 |
| Common Schools | 5,000.00 |
| Free High School | 3,500.00 |
| Books, Supplies and Repairs | 2,750,00 |
| High School Janitor | 650.00 |
| Fuel for Common Schools | 1,200.00 |
| Fuel for High School | 900.00 |
| Industrial Education | 750.00 |
| Insurance | 660.00 |
| Highways and Bridges | 5,500.00 |
| Breaking Snow | 3,000.00 |
| Bonded Debt | 2,000.00 |
| Interest on Indebtedness | 1,500.00 |
| Salary of Selectmen | 800.00 |
| Clerk Hire for Selectmen | 200.00 |
| Monument Park | 100.00 |
| Memorial Day | 100.00 |
| Free Public Library | 1,000.00 |
| Heating Plant for Library | 831.31 |
| Highway Patrol | 1,000.00 |
| Sidewalks | 500.00 |
| State Aid Road | 1,992.00 |
| Road to Black's Mills | 150.00 |
| | |

Total appropriations

\$40,083.31

INVENTORY AND ASSESSMENT

| Real Estate Personal Estate | \$1,544.300.00 547,350.00 | |
|----------------------------------|------------------------------|----------------|
| | | \$2,091,650.00 |
| Assessed on \$2,091,650.00 at | 26 | |
| mills | \$54,382.90 | |
| Assessed on 1137 polls at \$2.50 | 2,842.50 | |
| | | \$57,225.40 |
| State tax | \$12,522.41 | |
| County tax | 2,793.98 | |
| Appropriation | 40,083.31 | |
| Overlay | 1,825.70 | |
| | | \$57,225.40 |

LIST OF LIVE STOCK

| | No. | Total Value |
|----------------------------|------|-------------|
| Horses and mules | 504 | \$51,090.00 |
| Colts, 3 to 4 years old | 14 | 1,405.00 |
| Colts, 2 to 3 years old | 19 | 1,230.00 |
| Colts, under 2 years old | 17 | 910.00 |
| Cows | 664 | 30,080.00 |
| Oxen | 16 | 530.00 |
| Three year olds | 152 | 4,520.00 |
| Two year olds | 184 | 3,805.00 |
| Sheep, (over 35 in number) | 126 | 1,750.00 |
| Swine, (over 10 in number) | 5 | 70.00 |
| | 1701 | \$95,390.00 |

LIVE STOCK EXEMPT FROM TAXATION

| One year olds | 294 | \$ 3,530.00 |
|--------------------------|----------|-------------|
| Sheep (to 35 in number) | 453 | 6,360.00 |
| Swine, (to 10 in number) | 255 | 4,760.00 |
| | ${1002}$ | \$14,650.00 |

OTHER KINDS OF PERSONAL PROPERTY

| Bonds, 1 | \$ 500.00 |
|----------------------------|--------------|
| Bank Stock, 408 shares | 35,300.00 |
| Money at interest | 4,540.00 |
| Stock in trade | 98,000.00 |
| Small boats | 150.00 |
| Logs and lumber | 64,500.00 |
| Wood and bark | 400.00 |
| Carriages | 900.00 |
| Automobiles, 142 | 38,330.00 |
| Musical instruments, 240 | 23,100.00 |
| Finished products in mills | 26,380.00 |
| Materials in stock | 48,870.00 |
| Other property | 110,990.00 |
| | \$451,960.00 |
| | |

POOR ACCOUNT

FAIRFIELD POOR IN TOWN NOT ON FARM

| PAID OUT | |
|-------------------------------|-------------|
| Care of cemetery lots | \$ 10.00 |
| Town physician | 45.00 |
| Clara Murray and family | 439.72 |
| Annie Pooler (deceased) | 91.38 |
| Fred Gilblair and family | 55.40 |
| Mary Perry | 134.90 |
| Jerry Garland (deceased) | 205.85 |
| Mrs. Flora Collins and family | 244.70 |
| Leo Foster | 105.00 |
| | |

| | Ida Roderick | 180.28 | |
|---|--------------------------------------|---------------|------------|
| | Mrs. Lucy Roderick | 227.43 | |
| | Mrs. Lillian Robinson | 62.90 | |
| | Mrs. Peter Brigham | 26.59 | |
| | Joseph Roderick and family | 6.94 | |
| | Mrs. George Perry and family | 75.75 | |
| | Anthony Reed (reimbursed) | 4.00 | |
| | Bert Pratt and family | 25.98 | |
| | Violet Blair | 14.00 | |
| | David Thibodeau (deceased) | 67.00 | |
| | Josephine Foster | 134.50 | |
| | Georgianna Cloutier | 141.21 | |
| | Mrs. Anna L. Harvey (fuel) | 3.25 | |
| | James and Edward Dillingham | 41.16 | |
| | Paul Burgess and family | 24.86 | |
| | John Shibley | 3.00 | |
| | Joseph A. Pooler and family | 60.75 | |
| | Guy York and family | 31.50 | |
| | Louis Thibodeau and family | 176.33 | |
| | Joseph Pelletier (deceased) | 45.00 | |
| | Henry Belanger and family | 34.66 | |
| | George C. Pratt and family (fuel) | 15.80 | |
| | | | \$2,374.84 |
| | FAIRFIELD POOR OUT OF | TOWN | |
| _ | | IOWN | |
| P | AID OUT | **** | |
| | , | \$180.00 | |
| | John Avery family, Athens, '17 bill | 180.82 | |
| | Mrs. Ellsworth Dawes, Old Town | 138.61 | |
| | Arthur V. Otis' family, Montville | = 0.40 | |
| | (reimbursed) | 79.48 | |
| | Charles and Ben York families, China | | |
| | Henry L. Charity, Rumford | 114.95 | |

Bert Pratt, Waterville (deceased)

Lena and Archie York, Augusta

Mrs. A. W. York, Clinton

Charles Richards, Winslow

\$1,089.01

56.00

27.47

47.18

203.73

POOR OF OTHER TOWNS

| | Paid out 1 | Reimbursed |
|---------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Tramps | \$ 9.75 | |
| C. R. Monk, Vassalboro | 72.54 | |
| B. F. Robbins, not placed | 4.45 | • |
| Warren Blaisdell, Otis, 1917 and 1918 | 143.44 | |
| George H. Foster, Greenville | 229.00 | 229.00 |
| Philip Cote, Waterville | 26.50 | |
| Joseph Jenness, Waterville | 5.63 | 5.63 |
| Ethel Shaw, Pittsfield | 2.50 | 2.50 |
| Milton Stevens, Rome, 1917 and 1918 | 19.10 | 19.10 |
| Charles LeBritton and family, not pla | ced 102.81 | |
| Marcia M. Sterry, not placed | 3.50 | |
| N. J. Kolos, not placed | 57.00 | |
| Annie LaPlante, Reed Plantation | 65.00 | 65.00 |
| Sullivan boy (gone to Boston) | 7.65 | |
| U. G. Randall, not placed | 14.25 | |
| Curran children, not placed | 6.00 | |
| 1 | \$763.12 | \$393.77 |
| STATE POOR | | |
| | Paid out 1 | Reimbursed |
| Joseph Trombley and family | \$208.00 | \$156.00 |
| Mrs. Camille Goodwin and family | 78.00 | 57.00 |
| Catherine Sirois | 141.86 | 102.00 |
| Mrs. Martin Dale and family | 402.93 | 279.42 |
| Julia Daggett, State or unknown | 149.36 | |
| Etienne Lecours and family | 111.46 | |
| Edward Deraps | 77.50 | |
| Nelson Raynor | 5.04 | |
| George Lessard and family (State a | and | |
| Vassalboro) | 49.65 | |
| | | |
| | \$1,223.80 | \$594.42 |
| Balance due from State | | \$629.38 |

Paid by State on 1917 account, \$207.38

POOR BOARDED AT FARM

| Wellington York | 52 weeks |
|-----------------|----------|
| Lucinda York | 52 weeks |

TOWN FARM RECEIPTS

| \$310.00 |
|----------|
| 586.73 |
| 35.00 |
| 20.00 |
| 3.00 |
| 21.00 |
| 85.00 |
| 30.00 |
| |

\$1,090.73

INVENTORY OF SUPPLIES ON HAND AT FARM

| | | \$120.00 |
|----------|----------|----------|
| | | 10.00 |
| | | 50.00 |
| | | 25.00 |
| | | 30.00 |
| | | 40.00 |
| | | 50.00 |
| | | 12.50 |
| in house | | 15.00 |
| | | 50.00 |
| | | 108.00 |
| | | 273.00 |
| | in house | |

\$783.50

EXPENSES AT TOWN FARM

| Salary of Supt. and wife 13 mos. | \$ 715.00 |
|----------------------------------|--------------|
| Cutting and piling wood | 208.20 |
| B. H. Lawrence, hauling wood | 93.00 |
| Supplies, grain, seed, etc | 891.68 |
| Blacksmith bills and repairs | 8.35 |

| Labor for haying Labor for threshing Telephone bills Ice Insurance 2 pigs For killing pigs Cloth for Mrs. York | 92.50 25.49 22.31 4.65 11.00 12.00 2.50 1.33 | \$2,088.01 |
|--|---|------------|
| SUMMARY OF POOR A | CCOUNT | |
| AVAILABLE | | |
| Appropriation | \$3,500.00 | |
| Received from State, 1918 account | 594.42 | |
| Received from other towns | 393.77 | |
| Reimbursed in town | 4.00 | |
| Reimbursed out of town | 79.48 | |
| Received from Lewis Dunbar Fun | | |
| Due from State | 629.38 | |
| Due from other towns | 369.35 | |
| - | | \$5,763.30 |
| PAID OUT | | |
| Poor in town | \$2,734.84 | |
| Fairfield poor out of town | 1,089.01 | |
| Poor of other towns | 763.12 | |
| State poor | 1,223.80 | |
| Expenses at farm less receipts | 997.28 | ФС 909 0F |
| | | \$6,808.05 |
| Overdrawn | _ | \$1,044.75 |
| INSANE COMMITM | ENTS | |
| Myra Purinton (reimbursed) | \$19.24 | |
| George Lancaster | 29.62 | |
| Guy Ames | 7.86 | |
| George Lowe | 2.00 | |
| _ | | \$58.72 |
| | | |

INCIDENTAL ACCOUNT

| Salary and bond, W. W. Merrill \$ | 125.00 |
|--|--------|
| Salary as Supt. of Schools, W. M. Teague | 270.36 |
| Salary as Supt. of Schools, H. E. | |
| Bowman | 272.18 |
| Salary as School Committee, Abbie J. | |
| Ladd | 25.00 |
| Salary as School Committee, Chas. A. | |
| Lawry | 25.00 |
| Salary as School Committee, 1917, W. | • |
| P. Hinckley | 25.00 |
| Fees of moderator | 10.00 |
| Fees of town clerk | 25.00 |
| Fees of dog constable | 26.00 |
| Fees of town clerk, reporting vital | |
| statistics | 42.75 |
| Fees of physicians, reporting births | |
| and deaths | 32.25 |
| Fees of clergymen reporting marriages | 3.00 |
| Fees of truant officers | 11.50 |
| Fees of G. M. Chapman, legal services | 50.00 |
| Central Maine Power Co., lights for | |
| office | 13.35 |
| Rent of office and heating | 194.50 |
| Fairfield Pub. Co., town reports | 72.00 |
| Use of Star Theatre & Opera House, | |
| town meeting and election | 20.00 |
| Ballot clerks | 16.00 |
| W. J. Bradbury, error in settlement of | |
| 1917 taxes | 11.60 |
| Printing | 48.04 |
| Posting warrants | 13.00 |
| N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co. | 28.98 |

| TOWN OF | FAIRFIELD | 11 |
|---------|-----------|----|
| | | |

| Check protector | 69.10 | |
|---|---------|-------------|
| Watering tubs | 6.00 | |
| Wood for election day | 6.00 | |
| F. L. Chase, hauling wood, 1917 ac. | 29.00 | |
| Surveying | 10.70 | |
| Supplies, sealer of weights & measure | 12.58 | |
| Team hire, assessing taxes | 29.50 | |
| Damage to horse, assessing taxes | 27.50 | |
| M. L. Wagner, killing stray dog | 2.00 | |
| Law suit | 9.89 | |
| W. J. Bradbury, Collector's commission | | |
| at 1½% | 858.27 | |
| Misc. bills, moving, office supplies, post- | | |
| age and expense | 297.89 | |
| | | \$2,655.94 |
| Reimbursements | | 11.97 |
| | _ | |
| | | \$2,643.97 |
| Appropriation | | 2,500:00 |
| | _ | |
| Overdrawn | | \$143.97 |
| | | |
| MONUMENT PARK | | |
| Appropriated | | \$100.00 |
| PAID OUT | | φ100.00 |
| G. A. Savage, labor | \$82.57 | |
| J. F. Doherty, labor on fountain | 75.00 | |
| Labor | 3.25 | |
| | 5.20 | \$160.82 |
| | | φ100.02 |
| Overdrawn | | \$ 60.82 |
| | | |
| MEMORIAL DAY | | |
| Appropriated | | \$100.00 |
| PAID OUT | | φ100.00 |
| Frank Savage | | \$100.00 |
| Train Davage | | φ100.00 |

LAWRENCE LIBRARY

| Appropriated | \$1,000.00 |
|------------------------------|------------|
| Paid W. A. Archer, treasurer | \$1,000.00 |
| | |

SALARY OF SELECTMEN

| Appropriated | | \$800.00 |
|----------------|----------|----------|
| PAID | | |
| B. H. Lawrence | \$400.00 | |
| W. A. Hill | 200.00 | |
| F. E. Hammond | 200.00 | |
| | | \$800.00 |

CLERK HIRE FOR SELECTMEN

| Appropriated | \$200.00 |
|---------------------|----------|
| Paid Grace E. Clark | \$200.00 |

ROAD FROM GREENE ROAD TO BLACK'S MILLS

| Appropriated | | \$150.00 |
|-----------------------------|---------|-----------------|
| PAID | | |
| G. W. Davies, labor | \$16.25 | |
| J. E. Hoxie, labor | 65.00 | |
| Lester Holway labor | 12.00 | |
| H. S. Hoxie, labor | 49.50 | |
| Rex Bridges, labor | 33.00 | |
| Frank Moore, labor | 40.00 | |
| William Lepoint, plank | 5.62 | |
| W. A. Hill, hauling scraper | 1.50 | |
| | | \$222.87 |
| Overdrawn | | \$72.87 |

\$10.37

SHEEP KILLED BY DOGS

| PAID | | |
|-----------------------------------|------------|---------------------------------------|
| H. Chester Emery | \$105.00 | |
| Wilbur Tozier | 60.00 | |
| Alonzo Hoxie | 30.00 | |
| | | \$195.00 |
| Due from State | | \$195.00 |
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| | | |
| HOUSE ON BUNKE | R'S ISLAND | |
| Received rent, 7 months at \$9.00 | \$63.00 | |
| Due for rent, 4 months | 36.00 | |
| | | \$99.00 |
| PAID OUT | | · |
| Water bill | \$ 5.00 | |
| Ned Kenrick, repairs | 83.63 | |
| , · · | | \$88.63 |
| | | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · |
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DEPENDENT FAMILIES OF SOLDIERS AND SAILORS

| Mrs. Miles T. Shaw | \$232.00 |
|-------------------------------------|----------|
| Mrs. Maurice C. Emery | 227.99 |
| Mrs. Carleton A. Bunker | 230.28 |
| Mrs Miles A. Spinney | 68.00 |
| Mrs. Frank L. Barnes | 232.00 |
| Mrs. Josephas Cassey | 218.28 |
| Mrs. Ray S. Mitchell and child | 261.64 |
| Mrs. Joseph W. Quirion | 180.00 |
| Mrs. Harry E. Bickford and children | 227.50 |
| Vital Cyr | 160.57 |
| Mrs. Reeve L. Bassett and children | 264.73 |
| Joseph Pooler | 106.29 |
| Mrs. Luther Steves | 20.00 |
| Mrs. John G. Oakes | 73.14 |
| | |

Balance

| \$3,603.46 |
|------------|
| 3,098.04 |
| \$ 505.42 |
| |

MOTHERS' AID PENSIONS

| Everlena M. Chase (Benton) Cassie E. Parlin Adelia Trudell (lives in Waterville) | \$326.00 120.63 81.22 | \$527.85 |
|--|-----------------------------|----------|
| Received from State Received from Benton Due from State | \$202.60 152.00 19.00 | |
| Due from Benton | 11.00 | \$384.60 |
| Paid by Fairfield (no appropriation) | · <u> </u> | \$143.25 |

BOARD OF HEALTH

W. L. Gousse, B. F. Rackliff, F. J. Savage-Officials

No appropriation

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|----------|----|--------|------|
| PA | ID | (). | IIT. |

| Salaries | \$ 30.00 |
|-----------------------------------|----------|
| Antitoxine | 159.80 |
| Fumigating and supplies | 124.61 |
| Expense, postage, etc | 7.67 |
| Diphtheria cases, med. attendance | 233.70 |

\$555.78

Reimbursement from Jerome LeClair

27.50

\$528.28

INTEREST ACCOUNT

| Appropriated Paid out | \$1,500.00 1,916.23 |
|-----------------------|------------------------|
| Overdrawn | \$ 416.23 |

This overdraft was caused largely by hiring money to pay pensions of Dependent families of Soldiers and sailors, the principal only is reimbursed by the State.

BONDED DEBT

| Appropriated | \$2,000.00 |
|-------------------|------------|
| Paid by Treasurer | 2,000.00 |

SCHOOL ACCOUNT

PAID

| Teaching | \$13,304.08 |
|----------|-------------|
| Janitors | 1,720.50 |

| Conveyance | 2,355.10 |
|----------------------------------|-------------|
| Books, supplies, repairs and in- | ei- |
| dentals | 2,681.02 |
| Fuel | 3,058.36 |
| Insurance | 1,018.57 |
| Tuition | 24.40 |
| Board | 142.40 |
| Industrial Education | 1,345.33 |
| | \$25,649.76 |
| | |
| | , |

HIGHWAYS

| Labor, men and teams, country | \$2,911.49 | |
|-----------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Labor, men and teams, village | 3,173.55 | |
| Labor and bricks, catch basins | 112.67 | |
| Repairs on tractor, gas, oil, etc | 448.39 | |
| Culverts | 313.63 | |
| Traffic sign | 7.00 | |
| Gravel, sand and supplies | 143.97 | |
| | | \$7,110.70 |

BRIDGES

| BRIDGES | | |
|-------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Labor | 329.96 | |
| Plank | 753.56 | |
| Light on bridges | 82.50 | |
| | | \$1,166.02 |
| | _ | \$8,276.72 |
| Appropriation | \$5,500.00 | |
| Received from State (reimbursement) | 8.75 | |
| Received from B. & F. Ry. | 645.12 | |
| _ | | \$6,153.87 |

\$2,122.85

Overdrawn

SIDEWALKS

| Labor on High street Labor on High street Labor on Main street A. H. Lawrence, wood | \$ 63.00 27.00 49.50 10.00 |
|---|-------------------------------------|
| John Doherty, concreting | 1,923.60 |
| | 2,073.10 |
| Appropriation | 500.00 |
| Overdrawn | \$1,573.10 |

SNOW ACCOUNT

| Appropriation | \$3,000.00 | |
|---------------------------------|-------------|------------|
| Received from State | 11.37 | |
| Received from W. F. & O. Ry. | 89.25 | |
| Due from F. & S. Ry. | 68.00 | |
| | | 3,168.62 |
| | | |
| PAID OUT | | |
| Labor, men and teams in village | \$ 698.22 | |
| Labor, men and teams in country | 1,834.35 | |
| A. H. Lawrence, sidewalks | 62.50 | |
| G. D. Richardson, sidewalks | 79.50 | |
| Supplies | 35.23 | |
| | | \$2,709.80 |
| | | |
| Unexpended | | \$458.82 |
| | | |
| | | |

PATROL

| Appropriated Paid by Treasurer | ' ' | 000.00 006.10 |
|--------------------------------|-----|------------------|
| Overdrawn | \$ | 6.10 |

BURIAL OF SOLDIER

| Warren Phelps bill, Lawry Bros. Co. | \$ 35.00 |
|-------------------------------------|-------------|
| Due from State | 35.00 |

MUNICIPAL FUEL YARD

| Total amount of coal purchased | 944 tons |
|--------------------------------|-----------|
| Total amount of coal sold | 711 tons |
| | |
| Amount on hand | 233 tons |
| Amount of hard wood on hand | 100 cords |
| Amount of soft wood on hand | 115 cords |

At present prices the fuel yard account will just about balance.

Financial Standing

LIABILITIES

| Bonded debt | \$27,000.00 | |
|--------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Unpresented bills outstanding, | mostly | |
| town poor, estimated | 200.00 | |
| Note | 2,500.00 | |
| | | \$29,700.00 |

RESOURCES

| Cash on hand | \$ | 129.95 |
|--|----|---------|
| Town farm equipment and house fur- | | |
| nishings | 5, | ,000.00 |
| House and lot, Bunker Island | 1, | ,000.00 |
| Roderick house | | 250.00 |
| Town hall, Centre | | 300.00 |
| Town lot, Main street | | 300.00 |
| Gravel pits | | 100.00 |
| Highway and sidewalk outfits, road | | |
| machines, snow plows, small tools, etc | c | 500.00 |
| 2 cows at farm | | 75.00 |
| Hay, straw, lumber, wood, fertilizer, | | |
| pork, apples, potatoes, beans | | 708.50 |
| Due from Skowhegan Creamery | | 30.00 |
| Due from State and other towns for | | |
| poor account | | 998.73 |
| Due from State and Benton, Mothers' | | |
| Aid | | 30.00 |
| Due from State for dependent families | | |
| of Soldiers and Sailors | | 505.42 |
| Due from State sheep killed by dogs | | 195.00 |
| | | |

| Due from State burial of Soldier | 35.00 | |
|--------------------------------------|--------|-------------|
| Due from Fairfield & Shawmut Ry. | 68.00 | |
| Due for rent of Island House | 36.00 | |
| Tax titles in Treas., estimated col- | | |
| lectable | 100.00 | |
| Uncollected taxes, 1918, estimated | | |
| collectable | 400.00 | |
| State pensions due town | 444.00 | |
| Due from Fuel Yard account | 900.00 | |
| | | \$12,105.60 |
| Net liabilities | _ | \$17,594.40 |
| | | |

B. H. LAWRENCE W. A. HILL F. E. HAMMOND Selectmen.

Collector's Report

Town of Fairfield, Maine, in account with W. J. Bradbury, Collector:

DR.

| Amount of taxes committed for 1918 \$57,25 | 25.40 |
|--|-------------|
| Supplementary tax on real estate | 88.80 |
| 20 supplementary poll taxes at \$2.50 | 50.00 |
| Delinquent taxes collected for 1914- | |
| 15-16-17 6' | 70.20 |
| Interest collected | 10.43 |
| | \$58,044.33 |

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| Abstaments as now list with Salastmen | Ф | 206 20 | |
|---------------------------------------|----|----------|-------------|
| Abatements as per list with Selectmen | φ | | |
| 35 polls returned | | 87.50 | |
| Resident real estate sold | | 326.30 | |
| Non-resident real estate sold | | 24.70 | |
| Personal property returned | | 61.20 | |
| Treasurer's receipts | 57 | 7,218.31 | |
| - | | | \$58,044.83 |

UNPAID TAXES, 1918

RESIDENT REAL ESTATE

| Campbell, Fred or unknown | \$ 16.02 |
|------------------------------------|-------------|
| Carpenter, Arthur or unknown, bal. | 2.70 |
| Goodwin, A. B. or unknown | 49.30 |
| Hodges, A. E. or unknown | 179.04 |
| Shibley, William or unknown | 24.60 |

| York, L. W. or unknown, balance | 11.22 | |
|----------------------------------|-------|--------|
| Morin, est., Peter or unknown | 40.82 | |
| Roderick, est., Peter or unknown | 2.60 | |
| | \$ | 326.30 |

NON-RESIDENT REAL ESTATE

| Bichaud, Edward or unknown | \$ 2.60 | |
|----------------------------------|------------|-------|
| Cowan, heirs of A. J. or unknown | 1.30 | |
| Greenlaw, Harry or unknown | 6.50 | |
| Shaw, F. P. or unknown | 14.30 | |
| | \$ | 24.70 |

RESIDENT PERSONAL

| Bouford, Israel or unknown | \$ 5.10 | |
|------------------------------------|------------|-------|
| Dickinson, H. L. or unknown | 15.60 | |
| Ronco, Lafe or unknown | 6.40 | |
| Richards, Aubert or unknown | 3.54 | |
| Shepard, E. J. or unknown | 24.86 | |
| Sturgis, Karl B. or unknown | 3.90 | |
| Shieves, A. A. or unknown, balance | 1.80 | • |
| | \$ | 61.20 |

RETURNED POLLS

| Ambo, Jule | Drost, Odd |
|----------------------|------------------|
| Bragg, Marvel | Efimettz, Alec |
| Barrett, Isadore | Frazier, Simon |
| Buker, Henry | Flynn, Ralph |
| Britton, Charles | Foster, Joseph |
| Blaisdell, Warren J. | Green, Fred |
| Cote, Philip | Gifford, R. |
| Chamberlain, Harry | Horne, George B. |
| Crist, Peter | King, Andrew |
| Dostie, Lafayette | King, Ray |
| | |

Hurley, P. E.
Knight, Charles
Landry, Fred
Labin, Tony
Lawler, James
McKinney, Ray
McDonough, James
Miller, Pat

Mercier, Robert Nicholas, Cris Oliver, Walter Penney, Alfred Percival, E. O. Stuart, Buck York, Guy

Lawrence Library

W. A. Archer, Treasurer, in account with Lawrence Library Association:

| 1918 | Dr. | | |
|---------|---------------------------|-----------|------------|
| Feb. 10 | To balance on hand | \$ 93.36 | , |
| | Town | 1,000.00 | |
| | State | 100.00 | |
| | Membership dues | 6.50 | |
| | Librarian, etc. | 34.15 | |
| | | | \$1,234.01 |
| PAID FO | R Cı | R. | |
| Books | X | \$ 268.46 | |
| | zines and newspapers | 71.60 | |
| Libra | | 260.00 | |
| Assis | tant Librarian | 125.00 | |
| Janite | or | 125.00 | |
| Secre | tary and Treasurer | 10.00 | |
| Fuel | | 187.84 | |
| Light | S | 28.62 | |
| Repai | $\mathbf{r}_{\mathbf{S}}$ | 61.10 | |
| Bindi | ng | 35.55 | |
| Suppl | ies | 8.00 | |
| Wate | r | 8.50 | |
| Print | ing | 9.55 | |
| Incide | entals | 8.32 | |
| Balance | on hand | 24.47 | |
| | | | \$1,234.01 |

Treasurer's Report

W. W. Merrill, in account with Town of Fairfield:

| 1918 | Dr. |
|---------|--|
| To Cash | |
| Feb. 22 | Cash on hand \$438.37 |
| | To pay outstanding orders 737.22 |
| | Town of Rome, 1917 ac. 23.50 |
| 25 | Sale of wood 6.00 |
| 25 | W. J. Bradbury, col. taxes, '17 100.00 |
| 27 | Town of Newport 43.00 |
| 28 | State Treasurer, poor account 41.00 |
| 28 | State Treas., State pension, '17 18.00 |
| Mar. 1 | Sale of wood 10.50 |
| 4 | Sale of wood 12.00 |
| 6 | Sale of wood 30.00 |
| 7 | State Treas., relief families |
| | sailors and soldiers 156.00 |
| 7 | Sale of wood 3.50 |
| 8 | Loan Fairfield Savings Bank 2,500.00 |
| 16 | Sale of wood 8.00 |
| 19 | Loan Fairfield Savings Bank 1,000.00 |
| 19 | Town farm account 60.98 |
| 20 | W. J. Bradbury, taxes, 1917 100.00 |
| 21 | Waterville & F. & O. Ry., |
| | snow account, 1917 89.25 |
| 22 | W. J. Bradbury, taxes, 1917 100.00 |
| 22 | Loan Fairfield Savings Bank 1,000.00 |
| 26 | Sale of wood 7.00 |
| April 1 | Town farm account 57.45 |
| 1 | Sale of wood 11.00 |
| 1 | Loan Fairfield Savings Bank 1,000.00 |

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|------|----|--------------------------------|----------|
| | 11 | Loan Fairfield Savings Bank | |
| | 11 | State Treas., Public Utilities | 15.63 |
| | 13 | Town Clerk, dog licences | 10.00 |
| | 17 | Loan Fairfield Savings Bank | 1,500.00 |
| | 24 | Loan Fairfield Savings Bank | 1,000.00 |
| | 26 | Sale of wood | 7.50 |
| | 26 | Town farm account | 53.28 |
| | 29 | Loan Fairfield Savings Bank | |
| May | 1 | Town Clerk, dog licenses | 15.00 |
| | 1 | License Stephen Savage | 10.00 |
| | 11 | Loan Fairfield Savings Bank | 2,500.00 |
| | 15 | License, F. L. Allen | 10.00 |
| | 15 | Town Farm account pigs sold | 65.00 |
| | 15 | Sale of wood | 10.00 |
| | 24 | Loan Fairfield Savings Bank | 2,000.00 |
| | 29 | Town Clerk, dog licenses | 28.00 |
| June | 6 | Loan Fairfield Savings Bank | 2,500.00 |
| | 8 | Loan Fairfield Savings Bank | 1,500.00 |
| | 11 | Town farm account | 70.01 |
| | 12 | City of Bath | 19.24 |
| | 18 | Town Clerk, dog licenses | 34.00 |
| | 20 | Loan Fairfield Savings Bank | 750.00 |
| | 27 | Town farm account | 66.48 |
| | 27 | State Treas., poor account | 274.68 |
| | 29 | Town clerk, dog licenses | 15.00 |
| July | 1 | Fireman's Carnival license | 10.00 |
| | 1 | Loan Fairfield Savings Bank | 2,500.00 |
| | 1 | State Treas., poor account | 35.00 |
| | 3 | W. H. Teague, Supt. | 5.18 |
| | 5 | Selectmen Tel. tolls | 4.17 |
| | 8 | Loan Fairfield Savings Bank | 2,000.00 |
| | 10 | W. H. Teague, Supt. | 10.95 |
| | 29 | Town farm account | 72.30 |
| Aug. | 1 | State Treas., Free Pub Librar | y 100.00 |
| | 5 | City of Waterville | 5.63 |
| | 12 | Town Clerk, dog licenses | 14.00 |
| | 13 | Town of Greenville | 95.00 |

| | 15 | State, Treas., poor account | 236.30 |
|-------|-----|---------------------------------|----------|
| | 15 | State Treas., Public Utilities | 4.50 |
| | 16 | Town of Benton, mothers' aid | 143.00 |
| | 23 | Town farm account | 64.56 |
| | 30 | State Treas., families S. & S | 839.78 |
| Sept. | 27 | State Treas., mothers' aid | 103.50 |
| Oct. | 1 | Town farm account | 52.45 |
| 0000 | 19 | Reimbursement on poor act. | 50.00 |
| | 26 | Town Clerk, dog license | 4.00 |
| | 30 | Town farm account | 43.98 |
| Nov. | 2 | Town of Vassalboro | 37.80 |
| | 27 | W. J. Bradbury, taxes, '17 | 100.00 |
| Dec. | 1 | State Treas., dog licenses ref. | 18.18 |
| | 1 | State Treas., School and mill | |
| | | | 4,549.68 |
| | 1 | State Treas., Common School | |
| | | | 3,974.46 |
| | 1 | State Treas., R. & R. Tel tax | 537.56 |
| | 2 | Town farm account | 20.23 |
| | 2 | Reimbursement on poor act. | .60 |
| | 2 | Reimbursement on supplies | 3.95 |
| | 7 | Town of Benton, supplies | 3.75 |
| | 7 | Town of Benton, | 39.00 |
| | 13 | State Treas., poor account | 266.57 |
| | 28 | State Treas., Free High Sch | 500.00 |
| | 28 | State Treas., Indus. Edu. | 1,155.57 |
| 1919 | | | |
| Jan. | 2 | Town Clerk, dog license | 2.00 |
| | 20 | Reimbursement, poor account | 29.48 |
| | 20 | Reimbursement Bd. of Health | 27.50 |
| | 20_ | Rent of Island House | 63.00 |
| | 29 | Reed Plantation | 65.00 |
| Feb. | 1 | Town farm account | 25.21 |
| | 4 | Benton & Fairfield Ry. Co., | COC 07 |
| - | 1 | bridge account | 636.37 |
| | 4 | Reimbursement, poor act. | 6.50 |

| 6 | Town of Benton, High School | |
|----|--------------------------------|--------------|
| | account | 748.00 |
| 8 | H. E. Bowman, Supt. | 23.11 |
| 10 | W. J. Bradbury, taxes, '17 | 100.00 |
| 10 | Town of Greenville | 134.00 |
| 11 | Town of Benton, mothers' aid | 35.00 |
| 11 | Town of Rome | 19.10 |
| 11 | Reimbursement Tel. bill | .10 |
| 12 | State Treas., families S. & S. | 2,253.76 |
| 12 | State Treas., mothers' aid | 47.35 |
| 13 | Town of Vassalboro | 34.74 |
| 13 | W. J. Bradbury, taxes, '17 | 100.00 |
| 18 | Reimbursement, poor account | 5.31 |
| 19 | W. J. Bradbury, taxes, '17 | 80.63 |
| 19 | Reimbursement Tel. bill | .10 |
| 19 | S. G. Wing, license | 10.00 |
| 20 | Lewis Dunbar Fund, sup- | |
| | port of poor | 192.90 |
| 20 | Emery Hill Cemetery Fund | 106.11 |
| 20 | Eugene Fowler Fund | 30.00 |
| 20 | Trust funds, care cemetery | |
| | lots | 13.50 |
| 20 | Reimbursement fuel acct. | 1,844.00 |
| 20 | W. J. Bradbury, col. taxes 5 | 66,537.68 |
| 20 | Reimbursement | 102.00 |
| | a | \$103,880.69 |

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BY CASH PAID

| April | 12 | State pensions, 1st quarter \$ | 24.00 |
|-------|----|--------------------------------|--------|
| | 15 | State pensions, 1st quarter | 36.00 |
| | 16 | State pensions, 1st quarter | 18.00 |
| May | 9 | State pensions, 1st quarter | 12.00 |
| June | 5 | State pensions, 1st quarter | 6.00 |
| July | 1 | State pensions, 2nd quarter | 60.00 |
| | 1 | coupons due July 1, 1918 | |
| | | new issue | 380.00 |

| | 1 | | |
|-------|----------|----------------------------------|---------------------|
| | 0 | | 0.00 |
| | 8 | , | 0.00 |
| | 0 | | 0.00 |
| | 9 | | 8.00 |
| | 15 18 | , - | $\frac{2.00}{6.00}$ |
| Aug. | | | 0.00 |
| Aug. | 3 | | 0.00 |
| | 8 | , | 0.00 |
| | O | | 0.00 |
| | 13 | 1 bond due July 1, 1918, No. | |
| | | | 0.00 |
| Sept. | . 4 | State patrolled road acct. 1,00 | 6.10 |
| | 30 | | 2.00 |
| Oct. | 1 | State pensions, 3d quarter 2 | 4.00 |
| | 10 | | 4.00 |
| | 10 | One-half County tax, 1918 1,39 | 6.99 |
| | 31 | Int. on account loans 26 | 2.49 |
| Nov. | 8 | Loan Fairfield Savings Bank 2,00 | 0.00 |
| | 8 | Loan Nat'l Bank of Fairfield | |
| | | Library heating 83 | 1.31 |
| | 8 | Interest on same 3 | 1.20 |
| | 13 | State pensions, 3d quarter | 6.00 |
| Dec. | 7 | State tax, 1918 12,52 | 2.41 |
| | 7 | Loans Fairfield Sav. Bank 5,00 | 0.00 |
| | 26 | Balance County tax 1,39 | 6.99 |
| | 26 | Loans Fairfield Sav. Bank 5,00 | 0.00 |
| | 31 | State pensions, 4th quarter 7 | 8.00 |
| 1919 | | | |
| Jan. | 2 | State pensions, 4th quarter 3 | 0.00 |
| | 3 | Coupons due Jan. 1, 1919, | |
| | | | 0.00 |
| | 9 | Coupons due Jan. 1, 1919, old | |
| | | | 0.00 |
| | 9 | Coupons due July 1, 1918 old | |
| | | issue 1 | 0.00 |

| | 17 | Coupons due Jan. 1, 1919 |) |
|------|----|-----------------------------|--------------|
| | | new issue | 40.00 |
| | 17 | State pensions, 4th quarter | 18.00 |
| Feb. | 8 | Coupons due Jan. 1, 1919 | , |
| | | new issue | 120.00 |
| | 11 | Loans Fairfield Sav. Bank | 6,000.00 |
| | 13 | Loans Fairfield Sav. Bank | 2,000.00 |
| | 13 | Int. on loans paid | 422.54 |
| | 13 | Loans Fairfield Sav. Bank | 2,250.00 |
| | 13 | Orders paid | 59,602.01 |
| | 13 | To pay outstanding orders | 364.70 |
| | 13 | Cash on hand | 129.95 |
| | | _ | \$103,880.69 |

TRUST FUND

| The National Bank of Fairfield, Depository. | |
|---|-----------------|
| 1911 | |
| July 1 Emery Hill Cemetery Fund \$1,000.00 | |
| Interest accrued and unex- pended Feb. 21, 1919 100.29 | \$1,100.29 |
| | ' ' |
| April 1 H. E. Tuck Cemetery Lot | |
| Fund 100.00 | |
| Interest accrued and unex- | |
| pended Feb. 21, 1919 9.78 | 0 100 70 |
| | \$ 109.78 |
| 1918 | |
| Feb. 2 The Geo. H. & Stephen Pishon | |
| Cemetery Lot Fund 200.00 | |
| Interest accrued and unex- | |
| pended Feb. 21, 1919 20.56 | \$ 220.56 |

| Oct. 12 Chas. A. Wheeler Cemetery Lot Fund 100.00 Interest accrued and unexpended Feb. 21, 1919 10.00 | \$ 110.00 |
|---|------------|
| 1915 Oct. 18 The H. C. Butterfield Ceme- | |
| tery Lot Fund 100.00 | |
| Interest accrued and unexpended Feb. 21, 1919 4.90 | |
| · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · | \$ 104.90 |
| 1918 | |
| May 4 M. F. Archer, Fairfield Centre Cemetery Lot Fund 100.00 Interest accrued and unex- | |
| pended Feb., 1919 1.67 | \$ 101.67 |
| The Fairfield Savings Bank Depository. | |
| 1914 | |
| July 11 The Eugene Fowler Fund \$475.00 Interest accrued and unex- | |
| pended Feb. 19, 1919 57.05 | \$ 532.05 |
| 1913 | Ψ 002.00 |
| | \$4,775.00 |

Fairfield, Maine, Feb. 25, 1919.

This is to certify that I have examined the accounts of the Selectmen and Treasurer for the year ending Feb. 10, 1919, and find proper vouchers for the same in full.

A. H. TOTMAN, Auditor.

School Department

SCHOOL OFFICIALS

Charles A. Lawry, Chairman, term expires March, 1919. Walter P. Hinckley, term expires March, 1920.

Abbie J. Ladd, term expires March, 1921.

H. E. Bowman, Secretary and Superintendent of Schools.

TRUANT OFFICERS

Fred O. Savage, Frank Whitten.

The regular meeting of the School Committee is held on the first Friday of each month at 1.30 P. M. All outsanding bills should be submitted on or before each meeting that they may receive the approval of the Committee.

The office hours of the Superintendent will be from 2 to 4 P. M. every Friday during such time as schools are in session.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

Winter term will close March 28, 1919. Spring term begins April 7, 1919, closes June 13, 1919.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the Superintending School Committee and Citizens of Fairfield:—

In accordance with the Public School Laws of Maine, I respectfully submit the annual report of the schools of Fairfield.

Considering the fact that my duties as Superintendent of Schools has covered only a very short period of the school year, I do not feel that I am in a psition to make an exhaustive report at this time. As you all know the fall term was four weeks less than the scheduled fourteen weeks, and up to the time of this report, the winter term has been in session six weeks. Therefore my impressions of the work done, cover only a periol of sixteen weeks of the school year, weeks that have been greatly interfered with by sickness and consequently poor attendance.

The teaching problem has been a difficult one everywhere. We were fortunate in having in our village schools nearly all home teachers of experience, but the rural teachers were hard to obtain. In spite of the handicap under which we have worked, I am satisfied that most excellent progress is being made at the present time. The year, so far, has been characterized by most helpful co-operation of teachers, school officials, parents and other citizens. The teachers have shown unusual interest in their work and have as a whole made good use of all opportunities to improve themselves professionally.

One of the chief aims of the year will be to adapt the work of the schools to the real needs of the pupils, both present and future, and to consider the interests of the individual child rather than the good of the group, though the latter will not be neglected. We shall aim to unify and simplify, rather than to multiply and magnify the school requirements, and of so adjusting, regulating and correlating the various subjects that we may reach the highest degree of efficiency in our teaching.

ATTENDANCE

I wish to call the attention of the parents to the necessity of constant attendance. The attendance so far this year has This, in a large measure, is accounted for by the great amount of sickness, but this was not the only cause for poor attendance in some cases. The teachers are deserving of commendation for their efforts to improve the attendance, but if we are to improve upon our past records, it will be necessary for the parents to help. Poor attendance is the most damaging feature of the entire school system. the children it means lessons half learned, lack of interest in the work and in the school, many parts of subjects not studied at all, and a feeling, more hurtful than all else, that "being present or absent does not matter." For the teacher it means poor and unsatisfactory progress of the classes and discouragement for the entire school. For the so-called practical authorities and citizens, it means a money waste of anywhere from fifteen to thirty percent.

HOME STUDY

Home study is necessary. Every pupil in the High School and in the upper grades has daily four or five lessons to prepare. Some can be prepared in school during spare periods, but not all; some should be prepared at home. The length of time to be spent on out of school study varies with different pupils and in different days. It is difficult to lay down rules to govern home study, but it may be said that unless a pupil is doing considerable systematic study at home every day, it is certain that he is not getting all his school work well done. If pupils report that they have no home

work to do, parents should communicate at once with the superintendent or teacher, so that matters may be righted and failure avoided.

It is usually understood that social distractions, especially on school day evenings are nearly always fatal to successful school work. It is only natural that pupils are interested in many things outside the school room. Some of these interests can be turned to good by the skillful teacher and the wise parent. In other cases these outside interests invade the school room and demoralize the entire school. A series of events that take the pupils and teachers away from their evening studies, a succession of parties, the preparation of ary entertainment that necessitates several rehearsals on school nights will usually mar the otherwise successful work of the year.

It is therefore urged upon parents that they guard with care, the time of their children against the encroachments made upon it. In many cases the objects for which the time of the pupils is used is entirely worthy; yet the education of the children should not be jeopardized by any project that can be carried on in any other way. The parent should believe and should carry belief into action that for the child of school age who is well, his chiefest and most important business is to go to school. That should be made the "business" of the child as it is the "business of the father to make the living."

THE HIGH SCHOOL.

High school is not a privilege. It is the right of all. All the parents are paying for it. Every child of fourteen and upwards needs it. A child may be poor in brains, in effort, in appreciation, in gratitude, in respect, in all which we may have been taught to regard as high school necessities. Such a one belongs here. An unschooled man or woman, who has failed to get the best training possible up to eighteen years of age, is a drawback to the promises of universal education. Children not in high school should be brought into it. Those

here should be retained and benefitted. A fair return for money paid does not consist in reports from us that a child is lazy, unprepared or unfit to go on. We should be and are, devoted to the occupation of making such children industrious, prepared and fit to advance.

We believe that the work in high school indicates progress under a faithful hard working corps of teachers. I have no hesitancy in saying that our new principal, Mr. Warren is taking hold of the work exceptionally well, is well qualified for the position and will continue to merit the confidence we have placed in him.

My efforts to procure a teacher for the manual training department has so far been in vain, but I hope to secure a teacher for this department for the spring term. The report of Mr. Warren will be found in another part of this report.

SCHOOL VISITATION

I wish to urge with all the emphasis possible the need of a first hand acquaintance with the schools by parents and other citizens. Children hear and see things with children's eyes and ears and interpret them from a child's point of view. Schools cannot be accurately judged by depending wholly upon children's reports. Things happen every day in the best of schools that, reported out of their setting, would sound very unfavorable to the school. On the other hand, scores of excellent things that are done every day are not reported. Visit the schools, get acquainted with the teachers and their methods, and above all extend a few words of appreciation of what the teachers by faithful, hard work are trying to do for the children, and I believe you will have done much toward increasing the efficiency of the schools.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

The financial statement at the close of this report is self explanatory. We have an unexpended balance in all depart-

ments excepting the books, supplies, repairs and insurance account, which is overdrawn \$362.40. You will notice that the amount expended for insurance was \$1,018.57, or \$358.57 in excess of the appropriation of \$660.00, which accounts for this account being overdrawn for a considerable amount. We think however that we can take care of this overdraft next year without asking for an increase in the appropriation of \$2,750.00.

It is with a feeling that the present harmony existing throughout the entire school department and the excellent spirit of the teaching force are in a large measure due to the wise decisions of the school board, that this report is respectfully submitted.

H. E. BOWMAN, Superintendent of Schools.

REPORT OF THE PRINCIPAL OF LAWRENCE HIGH SCHOOL

To Mr. H. E. Bowman, Superintendent of Schools, Fairfield, Maine:—

I herewith submit to you and, through you, to the citizens of Fairfield a report of the work that has been done in Lawrence High School, during the year ending December 31, 1918, as shown by records, and of the work planned at the present time.

The enrollment of students for the year has been as follows:

| Winter termBoys 55 | Girls 73 | Average 113 |
|--------------------|----------|-------------|
| Spring termBoys 50 | Girls 70 | Average 110 |
| Fall termBoys 63 | Girls 73 | Average 117 |

A year ago the pupils gave up many of their usual activities to help in the war. During the drive for the Third Liberty Loan they did personal canvassing to sell bonds. In the summer most of the boys were enrolled in the Boys Working Reserve and the badges they now wear show their service. Nearly all the pupils formed habits of thrift and saving and bought Thrift Stamps with their extra money.

The usual Junior Reading occurred on June 5, 1918. There were nine participants, six girls and three boys and music was furnished by the orchestra.

The Commencement Exercises of the Class of 1918 were held, June 6, in the High School assembly hall. There was a large attendance and all enjoyed the excellent program which included several patriotic speeches.

On March 5th Warren S. Swett, teacher of Manual Training, left to enter the Medical Department of the Army. Mr.

Emery Heal, of Camden, completed the work for the last year. This year no Manual Training teacher has been available and the course has not been given.

During the summer several changes were necessary in the teaching staff. Miss Ruth L. Parker, who taught science and mathematics, left to go to St. Johnsbury, Vermont. Her place was taken by Miss Reba E. Shaw of Orono, Maine. Miss Cora A. Patterson, who taught English and History, left to be married. Miss Lucille Foster of Waterville is taking her work this year. Miss Emma S. Perry, teacher of Domestic Science, was married early in the summer. Her work is being continued by Miss Catherine V. Browne of Westbrook, Maine.

On November 17th, 1918, occurred the death of Miss Shaw. Miss Catherine D. Larrabee of Waterville was elected to take her place.

In the Fall Term many boys returned late from the Boys Working Reserve.

The enforced vacations caused by the Influenza Epidemic hindered the work and at Christmas time about one month had been lost. This same condition existed all over the country.

During the Christmas vacation Mr. John A. Partridge resigned to accept a similar position in Sanford, Maine. Mr. Partridge was principal of Lawrence High School for seven years. The progress made during this time and the condition of the school when he left give testimony of his good work while here.

Upon my arrival on January 6th, 1919, I tried to take up the work as left by Mr. Partridge. To fill a good man's place is a real task. I found the work about one month behind other years, on account of time lost. We are striving to cover the usual amount of work by the end of the year, but we are careful not to sacrifice accuracy in order to do this. What is done must be well done.

In order to give more choice in the selection of a half year course for this Spring I am beginning a class in Descriptive

Astronomy for those above the first year who do not intend to enter college, or who especially prefer Astronomy to Physical Geography or Botany. The new course will not be made any more mathematical than is necessary for a general course in the subject.

Several social activities have been started. The Senior Class Social, which was held the evening of January 31, 1919, was a decided success both financially and socially. It was featured by a short entertainment before the usual games were played. Already other classes are planning similar functions. Rehearsals are being held daily for the Operetta "Sylvia" which the Seniors are to give in the near future. Plans are being made for raising funds for the Baseball season. The members of the school are buying records for the Phonograph by giving one cent apiece each week.

A new Literary Society has been formed by the pupils. Meetings are held every two weeks at which most interesting programs are presented. Many who never before took part publically are surprising their friends, and themselves too, by their ability. The spirit with which all have taken hold to make this new society a success is equalled only by the pleasure derived from the meetings by both pupils and visitors.

More is being made of the opening exercises than has been the custom for the last few years. On Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays the exercises are held in the Assembly Hall; a hymn, reading from the Scripture followed by the Lord's Prayer, a few words on a current topic, or a reading of some apt selection, or, once a week, a few songs and a second hymn.

I am happy to say that the parents and friends of the school are helping the pupils by the interest they show toward all the activities; the pupils like to know that others are interested in their work. Furthermore, frequent visits by those at home lead to a better understanding of school life and, I hope, to a more intimate coöperation between the

homes and the school. I want to encourage all who can to visit the school.

I wish to state, in closing, that the hearty coöperation of the teachers and the support of the superintendent and school board at all times give me courage to hope for a successful continuation of the school year.

Respectfully submitted,

MANFRED L. WARREN, Principal.

REPORT OF TEACHER OF HOME ECONOMICS

Mr. Bowman, Superintendent of Schools, Fairfield, Maine:

I present to you a report of the work done in the sixth, seventh, eighth, and ninth grades and Lawrence High School for the year ending February 1, 1919.

The number of pupils registered in the department was as follows: North and South Grammar Schools 72, Shawmut 10, Fairfield Centre 4, Benton 8, Benton Falls 6, Lawrence High School 40—making a total of 150.

The Household Art Course in the High School is not compulsory as it is in the Grades, and consists of first year Sewing, second year Household Decoration and Home Nursing, and third and fourth years Advance cooking. First year Sewing: A great interest is shown and a large percent of the girls take it. Because of their two year course of sewing in the grades they are allowed to choose their own problems to work upon.

The second year course of Household Decoration and Home Nursing, one semester each. This course teaches house construction, which includes house plans, location, plumbing, furnishings and interior decoration. This is accomplished by each girl choosing her own house plan and furnishing her home on a certain income. Attention is given each room as to color scheme in regard to floor, walls and ceiling and placing of furniture. Very interesting results are obtained. Home Nursing is taking up the second semester, which includes a brief study of Physiology, care of patient, sick room, Personal Hygiene and First Aid work.

Third and Fourth years Course in Advance Cooking includes a study of food principals, their classes, menu making and serving of meals. I intend to divide the class into

groups of two girls and have them serve suppers to four people, thus giving them actual experience.

The sixth grade which took Sewing were taught simple stitches as running, hemming, basting, overhand, etc: which included samples, sewing-bags, cooking apron, cap, cuffs, towel and holder. Also making of button hole and use of sewing machine. By the end of the year each girl should be able to make a simple dress for themselves.

The eighth year Course in Sewing is a continuation of the sixth year course only more difficult problems are given. Lessons in patching, darning, placing of patterns, the making of a set of undergarments, simple dresses, embroidery stitches and study of textiles.

In the Cooking Course of the seventh and ninth grades at every class a short period is given up to general discussion of the lesson. Full instructions are given and all questions answered before they begin to cook. After that they are compelled to work by these instructions only. I find by doing this they are obliged to pay strict attention and learn to use their own reasoning power. Otherwise if I allowed them to ask questions intermittantly they have but little idea of combining recipes, because of their reliance upon the teacher. These courses are somewhat similar, only the ninth Grade are given more difficult recipes. They also had lessons in canning and jelly making that the seventh grade didn't have, because having had no cooking before I decided These courses include lesthe lessons too hard for them. sons in Personal Hygiene, care of kitchen, food value, care of food, classes of foods, method and cooking of simple recipes. In each class every girl has some household duty to perform, as to the care of stove, oven, desks, floor, dish towels, sink, etc., because the kitchen must be left in perfect order at the end of every lesson. Each girl is required to wear her full uniform at every lesson.

I find the girls for the most part very interested in their work. We are always glad to receive visitors and especially

I invite the mothers to visit us, and see for themselves the work being accomplished in this department.

Following is a weekly program:

| | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY |
|-------------|------------|---------|-----------|----------|-----------------|
| 9.00-10.30 | Household | Cooking | Cooking | Cooking | Sewing |
| | Dec. L.H.S | 7th Gd. | 7th Gd. | L.H.S | 6th Gd. |
| 10.30-12.00 | Cooking | Cooking | Cooking | Sewing | Sewing 1 |
| | 9th Gd. | 9th Gd. | 7th Gd. | L.H.S. | 8th Gd. |
| 1.30- 3.00 | Sewing | Sewing | Sewing | Sewing | Care uf Kitchen |
| | 8th Gd. | 6th Gd. | 6th Gd. | L.H.S. | Equipment |

Sincerely yours,

CATHERINE BROWNE.

REPORTIOF THE DIRECTOR OF MUSIC

To Mr. H. E. Bowman, Superintendent of Schools, Fairfield, Maine:—

I herewith submit a report of the year's work in the Music Department.

We have continued the use of the Weaver System introduced three years ago and good results are being obtained. In the lower grades pupils are quicker in sight reading and more accurate in time values than by the old method.

When books better adapted to the development of the system have been placed in the hands of the younger children and a properly graded series put in the higher grades a great advance in efficiency will result. At present we are using the same book put in when music was first introduced. They are not at all what we need.

Our advance step this year is to train young pupils to use words to simple songs without first using the Do, ré, mé. Locate Do then sing up or down as the notes go. This delights the little people and demands great concetration.

Briefly outlined our course is: Grade I—Much ear training to eliminate monotones, singing of scale, descending first, then ascending, reading simple phrases from staff, singing of rote songs. Grades II, III—Continue same oral dictation, sight reading from chart and book; use of quarter, half, dotted half and whole notes, simple songs with words and rote songs. Grades IV, V—Continuation of previous principles, new rhythms, first step chromatics, two part singing. Grades VI, VII—Three part music, second step chromatics, minor scale. Grades VIII and IX—Application of all principles, study of bass staff, chorus singing. Music appreciation.

As far as possible the course of study is so planned that the same grades both in the village and Shawmut shall be doing the same work so a pupil going from one section to another shall fit into his grade. At present the grades are not arranged in the same way at the North and South Grammar buildings so it is difficult to accomplish our object.

The Director of Music visits each grade once a week (as far as V) for a thirty-minute period. Above Grade V a forty-minute period is given to the two grades. Shawmut once in two weeks.

In the High School one forty-minute period each week is devoted to chorus singing. The chorus this year numbers 106 the largest in our history. The new "School Song Book" recently put in is greatly enjoyed and appleciated. Two points are given those who do satisfactory work.

The high school has an orchestra of eight pieces. George Dutil leader, Miss Cate director. Credits should be given these people for all rehearsals are after school hours. Many demands are made on them in connection with the various school activities. Thanks are due Mr. Dutil who last year supplied all the music used by the orchestra as there was no town money for this purpose.

A course in Music Appreciation should be added to the high school curriculum if we are to keep pace with other high schools of our size. The gift of a Victrola by the class of '18 has opened the way for this work if time can be found for it. It should be elective and points given for the course.

I earnestly ask you, Mr. Superintendent, and the School Board, to seriously consider the question of returning to our former custom of having a Music Director for Fairfield alone. The present way—three days a week—is entirely inadequate for the amount of work to be done here if we keep up to our present standard even. We are constantly having teachers who do not know music or music methods. They are earnest and willing and if the special teacher had extra time as in the past she could help them to success. As it is now, she is helpless, the teacher can't do the work, the

school loses all interest and the music period becomes lost time.

Again I return to the old problem: two grades in a room. This arrangement is a serious disadvantage to all school work, but it is, perhaps, a greater draw back in music than in other branches. They are taught separately at least but in music the grades must be combined owing to lack of time on the part of the grade teacher. The more advanced grade often must stand practically still until the incoming class catches up. Our problem is how te unite them and secure the greatest progress, but at the best much valuable time is lost.

If our schools could be rearranged so one grade could be in a room, I feel sure the result would be such an advance in efficiency on the part of both pupil and teacher no one would be willing to go back to the present way. We have room to do this without much extra expense.

I thank the teachers for their coöperation and untiring efforts to make the music a success.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANCES F. CATE, Director of Music.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

COMMON SCHOOLS

| Appropriation | \$ 5,000.00 | |
|-------------------------------|-------------|-----------|
| State school and mill tax | 4,549.68 | |
| State Common school fund | 3,974.46 | |
| Tuition | 8.00 | |
| Fuel | 1.200.00 | |
| Overdrawn last year | | \$ 106.27 |
| Teaching | | 9,021.03 |
| Fuel | | 1,843.59 |
| Janitor | | 1,070.50 |
| Conveyance | | 2,355.10 |
| Board of pupils | | 142.40 |
| Tuition | 1 | 24.40 |
| Balance on hand Feb. 10, 1919 | | 168.85 |
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HIGH SCHOOL

| Appropriation | \$ 3,500.00 | |
|-------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Received from State | 500.00 | |
| Janitor | 650.00 | |
| Fuel | 900.00 | |
| Tuition | 748.00 | |
| Balance from last year | , 831.85 | |
| Teaching | | \$ 4,283.05 |
| Janitor | | 650.00 |
| Fuel | • | 1,214.77 |
| Balance on hand Feb. 10, 1919 | | 982.03 |
| 4. | | |
| | \$7,129.85 | \$7,129.85 |

INDUSTRIAL EDUCATION

| Appropriation | \$ 750.00 | |
|-------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Received from State | 1,155.57 | |
| Overdrawn last year | | \$ 23.41 |
| Teaching | | 1,090.38 |
| Supplies | | 254.95 |
| Balance on hand Feb. 10, 1919 | | 536.83 |
| , | | |
| | \$1.905.57 | \$1.905.57 |

BOOKS, SUPPLIES, REPAIRS AND INCIDENTALS

| Appropriation | \$ 2750.00 | |
|---------------------|------------|------------|
| Insurance | 660.00 | |
| Supplies sold | 31.24 | |
| Overdrawn | 362.40 | |
| Overdrawn last year | | \$ 104.05 |
| Books | | 828.54 |
| Supplies | | 830.96 |
| Repairs | | 613.14 |
| Insurance | | 1,018.57 |
| Incidentals | | 408.38 |
| | | |
| | \$3,803.64 | \$3,803.64 |

The following appropriations are recommended by the School Committee for the ensuing year:

| Common schools | \$5,000.00 |
|-----------------------------|------------|
| High school | 3,800.00 |
| Common school fuel | 1,200.00 |
| High school fuel | 900.00 |
| High school janitor | 750.00 |
| Books, supplies and repairs | . 2,750.00 |
| Insurance | 300.00 |
| Industrial education | 750.00 |

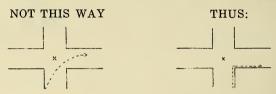
Street Traffic Regulations

VEHICLES IN MOTION

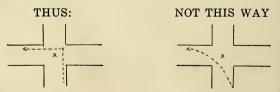
Section 1. A vehicle except when passing a vehicle ahead, shall keep as near the right curb as practical.

Section 2. A vehicle meeting another vehicle shall pass on the right.

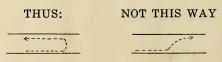
Section 3. A vehicle in turning to the right into another street shall keep as near to the right curb as possible.



Section 4. A vehicle in turning to the left into another street shall pass to the right of and beyond the center of the intersecting street before turning.



Section 5. A vehicle crossing from one side of the street to the other shall do so by turning to the left so as to head in the general direction of traffic on that side of the street.



Section 6. Slow moving vehicles shall keep as close as practical to the curb on the right, so as to allow faster moving vehicles free passage on the left.

RIGHT OF WAY

Section 1. Police, Fire Department, Emergency repair wagons, United States mail vehicles and Ambulances, shall have the right of way in any street and through any procession.

Section 2. The driver of any vehicle shall on signal turn so as to allow a faster moving vehicle sufficient room to pass to the left.

SPEED OF VEHICLES

Section 1. No vehicle shall proceed at a rate of speed greater than the law allows; and at no time shall a vehicle be driven with a reckless or a negligent disregard of the conditions there prevailing.

Section 2. On approaching a crossing of the intersecting streets, also in traversing a crossing or an intersection of streets, and in going around a corner or curve in the highway, a vehicle shall not be driven at a rate of speed other than what is reasonable and proper, having regard to traffic at the time and place and the use of the way and the safety of the public.

STOPPING, STANDING AND TURNING

Section 1. No vehicle shall stop with its left side to the curb on Main Street from Summit Street to Elm Street; on Summit Street from Main Street to M. C. R. R. crossing; on Lawrence Avenue from the Canal Bridge to M. C. R. R. crossing.

Section 2. No vehicle shall remain backed up to the curb except when actually loading or unloading, and then only for

a reasonable time; but in no event shall such teams or vehicles block electric cars for a longer period than five (5) minutes at any one time.

Section 3. When a horse draw vehicle is backed up to the curb, the horse or horses shall be turned so as to stand parallel with the sidewalk and headed in the general direction of travel for the side of the street on which the vehicle is standing.

Section 4. No person having charge of a vehicle or a street car in a public street shall refuse or neglect to stop or place the same as directed by a police officer, any of these rules to the contrary notwithstanding.

RIDING ON SIDEWALKS

Section 1. No one shall ride or drive a vehicle upon the sidewalks in the Town of Fairfield.

UNREASONABLE NOISE

Section 1. In thickly settled parts of the village no bell, horn or other device of signalling shall be sounded so as to make unreasonabe noise, and no operator or chauffeur of any motor vehicle shall on any public street permit any unreasonable amount of smoke to escape from said vehicle, nor shall any operator or chauffeur on any public street within the village corporation limits permit said motor vehicle to make any unnecessary noise by cutting out the muffler or otherwise.

AUTOMOBILES

Section 1. No automobile shall be driven past a street car discharging or taking on passengers.

AWNINGS AND SIGNS

Section 1. No part of any awning or sign projecting over any sidewalk shall be nearer than seven (7) feet to the surface of said sidewalk.

PENALTIES

Section 1. Whoever violates any of the provisions of the foregoing rules and regulations shall be punished by a fine not exceeding twenty (\$20.00) dollars for each offense.

All ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

DEFINITIONS

Section 1. The word "vehicle" includes equestrians, horses hitched to vehicles, led horses, motor vehicles of all kinds, and everything on wheels and runners except street cars and baby carriages.

Section 2. The word "horse" includes all domestic animals.

Section 3. The word "driver" includes the rider or driver of a horse, the rider of wheels and the opeator of a motor vehicle or street car.

Town Warrant

STATE OF MAINE

County of Somerset ss.

To Wallace A. Hill, a constable of the Town of Fairfield in said County:—

You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to warn the inhabitants of the town of Fairfield, aforesaid, qualified to vote in town affairs, to assemble at the Opera House in said town on the third day of March, nineteen hundred nineteen, at ten o'clock in the forenoon to act upon the following articles, to wit:

- Art. 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.
- Art. 2. To choose a clerk for the ensuing year.
- Art. 3. To choose one selectman, assessor and overseer of the poor for three years, and all other necessary officers.
- Art. 4. To choose a member or members of the superintending school committee.
- Art. 5. To choose a fire warden for the town, as required by Chapter 108 of the Public Laws of 1913.
- Art. 6. To see what sum of money the town will raise for incidental expenses.

Recommendation by appropriation committee, \$2,500.

Art. 7. To see what sum of money the town will raise for the support of poor.

Recommended by appropriation committee, \$3,500.

Art. 8. To see what sum the town will raise for the support of Common Schools; Free High School; for Books, Supplies and Repairs; High School Janitor; Fuel for Common Schools; Fuel for High School; Industrial Education; and Insurance.

Recommended by appropriation committee, Common Schools, \$5,000; Free High School, \$3,800; for Books, Supplies and Repairs, \$2,700; High School Janitor, \$750; Fuel for Common Schools, \$1,200; Fuel for High School, \$900; Industrial Education, \$750; Insurance, \$300.

Art. 9. To see what sum of money the town will raise for its highways.

Recommended by appropriation committee, \$5,000.

Art. 10. To see what sum of money the town will raise for its bridges.

Recommended by appropriation committee, \$1,750.

Art. 11. To see what sum of money the town will raise for breaking snow.

Recommended by appropriation committee, \$1,000.

- Art. 12. To see what action the town will take in regard to the Two Thousand Dollar Bond that falls due July 1, 1919. Recommended by appropriation committee, \$2,000.
- Art. 13. To see what sum of money the town will raise to be paid for interest on its indebtedness.

Recommended by appropriation committee, \$1,500.

Art. 14. To see what sum the town will raise to be paid the selectmen as salary for the ensuing year.

Recommended by appropriation committee, \$1,000 for selectmen, and \$300 for clerk hire.

Art. 15. To see what sum of money the town will raise for the care of Monument Park.

Recommended by appropriation committee, \$150.

Art. 16. To see what sum the town will raise for the support of a Free Public Library.

Recommended by appropriation committee, \$1,000.

Art. 17. To see what sum the town will raise for Memorial Day.

Recommended by appropriation committee, \$100.

Art. 18. To see if the town will authorize the selectmen to hire money to pay current expenses in anticipation of taxes.

Art. 19. To see what sum the town will raise for Highway Patrol.

Recommended by appropriation committee, \$1,000.

Art. 20. To see what sum the town will raise for building and repair of sidewalks.

Art. 21. To see if the town will appropriate and raise the sum of \$1,992.00 for the improvement of the section of State Road as outlined in the report of the State Highway Commissioners, in addition to the amount regularly raised for the care of ways, highways and bridges; under the provisions of Section 21 of Chapter 25, of the Revised Statutes of Maine.

Recommended by appropriation committee, \$1,992.00.

Art. 22. To see what action the town will take and what amount of money it will raise to celebrate the return of peace and welcome back to the home town the boys who have been in the military and naval service of our country in the war which has terminated so gloriously.

Recommended by appropriation committee, \$1,000.

Art. 23. To see if the town will vote to purchase the "Emery Hill gravel pit", so called, and raise money therefor.

Art. 24. To see if the town will vote to continue its muni-

cipal fuel yard in said town and raise money therefor; and, if so, how much.

- Art. 25. To see if the town will vote to buy any modern road-building machinery and raise money therefor.
- Art. 26. To see if the town will vote to establish a price for men and teams on the highway.
- Art. 27. To see what action the town will take in regard to the maintenance of the wooden bridge across the canal in Fairfield Village.

Recommended by appropriation committee, \$2,000.

- Art. 28. To see if the town will vote to construct a sewer in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 21 of the Revised Statutes. Said sewer to commence at a point in the Western Avenue sewer about 150 feet west of the inlet at the bog, thence southerly across private land near the south end of Winchester Street, thence to the Junction of Winchester and Elm Streets, thence westerly along Elm Street to West Street, thence southerly along West Street 265 feet and northerly along West Street 160 feet, and raise money therefor.
- Art. 29. To see if the town will vote to build a sidewalk from Lawrence Avenue running north along Main Street to Western Avenue, thence westerly to Newhall Street, and raise money therefor.
- Art. 30. To see if the town will vote to construct a sewer in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 21 the Revised Statutes, said sewer to commence at the corner of North and Silver Streets and running easterly down said Silver Street, thence continuing in an easterly direction across private land to the Kennebec River. Estimated cost, \$1,500.
- Art. 31. To see if the town will vote to build a sidewalk from the foot of Burrill Street along Water, to King Street, to Main Street, and raise money therefor.

Art. 32. To see if the town will vote to build a sidewalk from Main Street, at Chapman's Corner, so-called, to Water Street, thence to Pleasant Street, and raise money therefor.

Art. 33. To see if the town will vote to accept a road as faid out by the Selectmen. Said road beginning at a point 125 feet south of Carl Goodwin's north line in the Covel School-house road, so-called, thence easterly 1200 feet to house of said Goodwin. Road to be three rods wide. No land damages. If so, to raise money for same. Estimated cost \$250.

Art. 34. To see if the town will vote to reimburse John A. Harris for damage to his horse, and raise money therefor.

Art. 35. To see if the town will vote to accept the traffic laws as prepared and submitted by your committee, and as printed in the town report.

Art. 36. To see if the town will authorize the Selectmen to sell the tractor, or dispose of it in any way that may seem best to the town.

Art. 37 To see if the town will vote to appropriate and raise the sum of \$1,000 to purchase stock and tools for the town farm.

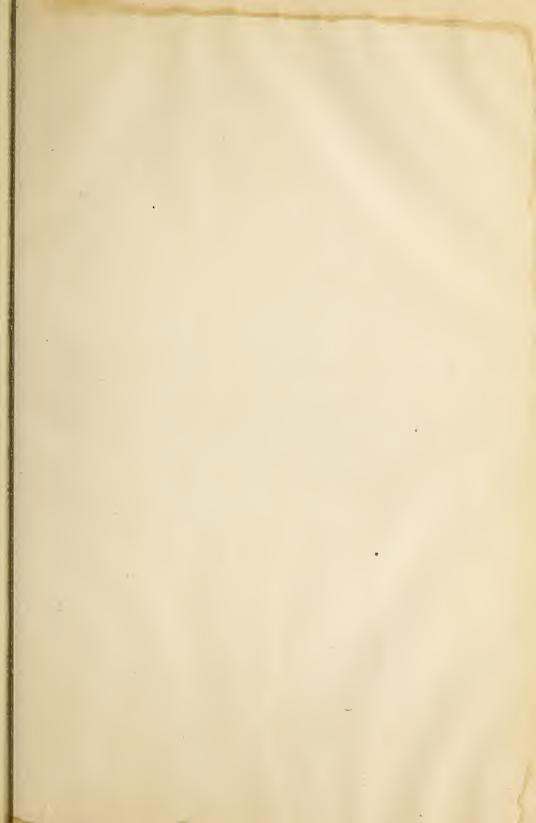
Notice is hereby given that the selectmen will be in session at their office on Saturday, the first day of March, 1919, at two o'clock in the afternoon to revise the list of voters.

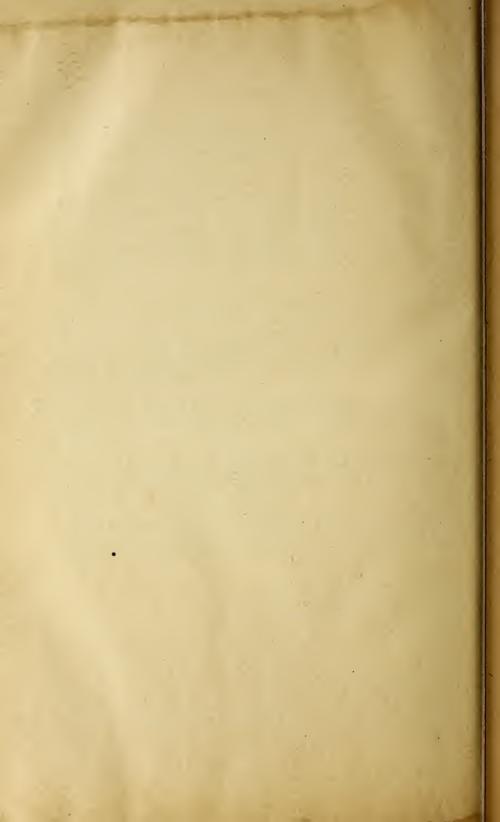
B. H. LAWRENCE W. A. HILL of F. E. HAMMOND Selectmen of Fairfield.

A true copy.
Attest:

W. A. HILL, Constable.

Fairfield, Maine, February 21, 1919.













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